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THE SERVICE—INTRODUCTORY

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH,
Buffalo, N. Y.,
Tuesday, October 17, 1922, 8 P. M.

Preparatory to the Opening of the Third Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, delegates-elect from the Constituent Synods, a large number of visitors and many members of the Churches of the Convention City assembled to participate in The Service, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Buffalo, N. Y., on Tuesday evening, October 17, 1922, at eight o'clock. The Order of Public Confession was conducted by the Rev. H. A. Weller and the other clerical members of the Executive Board assisted in The Service and the administration of the Sacrament of the Altar.

In the absence of the President, the Rev. F. H. Knubel, who was detained because of serious illness, the Sermon which had been prepared by him was read by the Rev. M. G. G. Scherer. The text of the Sermon was Matthew 18:20; "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them;" the theme, "Purpose of the Church: to make real, effective, the presence of Christ in the world."

FIRST MEETING

Morning Session

Wednesday, October 18, 8:45.

The Convention was called to order by the Rev. Jacob A. Clutz who, in the absence of the President on account of illness, had been appointed by the Executive Board to preside at the opening of the Convention.

The Rev. L. D. Reed conducted Devotions in the use of the Matin Service. Special prayers were offered for the Convention of The United Lutheran Church and for the speedy recovery of the President from his illness.

The Rev. F. F. Fry, who recently returned from a visit to the Holy Land, presented to the Convention, through its temporary presiding officer, a gavel. Dr. Fry said: "Mr. President, it is my desire and very great pleasure to present to this Convention this gavel for whatever use may be necessary during the sessions. The gavel was brought from Jerusalem, 'the City of the great King.' Its material is just the same as that of the gnarled trees in the Garden of Gethsemane and of the trees that crown the Mount of Olives. I trust sincerely, Mr. President, that you will accept this as the property of The United Lutheran Church in America." Dr. Clutz accepted the gavel and in fitting words gave expression to the thanks of the Convention.

After singing hymn No. 146 the President led the delegates in the use of the Order for the Opening of Synods and declared the Third Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America formally opened.

It was moved and carried, That the Roll of Delegates by Synods be reported as soon as the necessary corrections have been made.

The President called attention to the fact that in the Executive Board's Report (II, B) mention is made of certain newly organized Synods resulting from mergers and stated that action should be taken concerning these Synods before the organization of the Convention could be properly completed. He ruled that if no objection should be raised this part of the Executive Board's Report would be considered at this point. There being no objection the Secretary reported the recommendations of the Executive Board concerning these Synods. The recommendations were approved and the Synods were ordered enrolled.

In connection with the above, item 2 under Synods in General (II, A) concerning the place of new Synods formed through mergers was adopted.

The Roll as corrected follows:

ROLL OF DELEGATES BY SYNODS

1. Ministerium of Pennsylvania

Organized August 15, 1748

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. H. A. Weller, D.D.	F. A. Achey, M.D.
Rev. E. F. Bachmann, D.D.	Mr. C. M. Berkemeier
Rev. C. G. Beck	Mr. F. D. Bittner
Rev. Prof. C. Theo. Benze, D.D.	Mr. A. Broadmeyer
Rev. C. J. Cooper, D.D.	Mr. H. H. Burdan*
Rev. George Drach, D.D.	Mr. L. Van Gilluwe
Rev. F. T. Esterly	Mr. W. J. Daub
Rev. I. F. Frankenfield	Mr. Chas. H. Esser
Rev. C. L. Fry, D.D.	Mr. John Greiner, Jr.
Rev. George Gebert, D.D.	Mr. W. H. Hager
Rev. G. F. Gehr, D.D.	Mr. Henry Heuer
Rev. Prof. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., LL.D.	Mr. Harry Hodges
	Mr. G. Hultberg
Rev. J. H. Harms, D.D.	Geo. M. Jones, Esq.
Rev. I. C. Hoffman, D.D.	Mr. Sydney R. Kepner
Rev. Prof. C. M. Jacobs, D.D.	Mr. S. R. Kepner
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Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, Ph.D., D.D.	Prof. G. F. Ettinger, Ph.D., Litt.D.*
Rev. Prof. L. D. Reed, D.D.	Mr. James M. Snyder
Rev. G. C. Rees, D.D.	John E. Snyder, Esq.
Rev. A. C. Schenck	Mr. William Snyder
Rev. J. J. Schindel, D.D.	J. A. Trexler, M.D.
Rev. Prof. J. C. Seegers, D.D.	J. F. Trexler, M.D.
Rev. P. Geo. Sieger	Mr. Daniel F. Yost
Rev. W. L. Stough	Mr. Luther F. Waidelich
Rev. F. M. Urich	
Rev. J. H. Waidelich, D.D.	

2. Ministerium of New York

Organized October 23, 1786

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. F. H. Bosch	Mr. W. Steinkamp
Rev. H. C. Wasmund	Mr. C. Kleeberg
Rev. J. A. W. Kirsch	Frank A. Kalmbach
Rev. Wm. Drach	Dr. R. Moldenke
Rev. J. A. Weyl	Mr. F. Stuessy

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. T. Posselt	Mr. E. Muncke
Rev. F. Sutter	Mr. T. Roehrs
Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling	Mr. P. Ludwig
Rev. H. Brezing	Mr. C. Froehlich
Rev. O. Krauch	Mr. H. Durk
Rev. B. Mehrtens	Mr. M. Wulf
Rev. H. C. Freimuth	Mr. W. Eck
Rev. W. Genzmer	Mr. Aug. Becker
Rev. G. Doering	Mr. F. Greiner
Rev. Yost Brandt	Mr. E. C. Meurer

3. United Synod of North Carolina

**Organized May 2, 1803*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Jacob L. Morgan, D.D.	Hon. C. M. Efird
Rev. M. L. Stirewalt, D.D.	Prof. H. L. Mock
Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph.D., D.D.	Hon. B. Capps
Rev. A. G. Voigt, D.D., LL.D.	Dr. C. E. Reitzel
Rev. R. B. Peery, Ph.D., D.D.	Hon. J. C. Sigmon
Rev. J. F. Crigler	Mr. E. M. Minnick
Rev. J. C. Dietz	Prof. G. F. McAllister
Rev. W. J. Finck, D.D.	Mr. J. A. Cline
Rev. H. B. Schaeffer	Mr. R. G. Rhyne
Rev. E. H. Kohn, Ph.D.	Mr. J. J. George *

* Date of organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina which, on March 2, 1921, with the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod (organized July 17, 1820) merged into The United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina under an amended charter of the former of the two synods which merged.

4. Maryland Synod

Organized October 11, 1820

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. J. S. Simon, D.D.	Mr. F. W. Kakel
Rev. H. H. Beidleman	Mr. Frank Smith
Rev. R. D. Clare, D.D.	L. Russell Alden, Esq.
Rev. A. R. Wentz, Ph.D., D.D.	Harry T. Domer, Esq.
Rev John Weidley, D.D.	Mr. W. W. Doub
Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, D.D.	Mr. S. C. Stoner
Rev. F. U. Gift, D.D.	Mr. T. P. Hickman
Rev. Richard Schmidt	E. W. Herrman, Esq.
Rev. S. T. Nicholas, D.D.	Mr. W. H. Beard
Rev. Henry Manken, Jr.	Mr. J. H. Michael

5. Synod of South Carolina

Organized January 14, 1824

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. H. A. McCullough, D.D.	Prof. S. J. Derrick, LL.D.
Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, D.D.	Mr. E. H. Schirmer
Rev. Geo. J. Gongaware, D.D.	Mr. A. H. Kohn
Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D.	B. B. Hare, Esq.
Rev. C. A. Freed, D.D.	Mr. R. C. Counts

6. Synod of West Pennsylvania

Organized September 5, 1825

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. H. B. Stock, D.D.	Geo. E. Neff, Esq.
Rev. A. R. Steck, D.D.	Mr. A. R. Nissly
Rev. C. E. Arnold	Mr. L. C. Lesher
Rev. G. A. Getty, D.D.	Mr. W. L. Gladfelter
Rev. Henry Anstadt, D.D.	Mr. P. A. Elsesser
Rev. Albert Bell, D.D.	Mr. H. G. Sieling
Rev. E. C. Ruby	Mr. Edward Helb
Rev. J. A. Clutz, D.D., LL.D.	Mr. Alexander Diehl
Rev. Luther Kuhlman, D.D.	G. E. Holtzapple, M.D.

7. Synod of Virginia

**Organized August 10, 1829*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., D.D.	Mr. W. T. Stauffer
Rev. J. W. Shuey	Mr. J. A. Alexander
Rev. C. W. Cassell	Mr. N. I. Kagey
Rev. B. S. Brown, Jr.	Mr. H. D. Derrick
Rev. E. H. Copenhaver	Hon. H. L. Bonham
Rev. J. H. Richard	Mr. R. W. Kime
Rev. S. C. Ballentine	Mr. J. S. Etter

*Date of organization of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Virginia which, on March 17, 1922, with The Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Southwestern Virginia (composed of the former Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of S. W. Va., organized Sept. 20, 1842, and The Evangelical Lutheran Holston Synod, organized Sept. 29, 1860) merged into The United Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

8. Ohio Synod

**Organized November 7, 1836*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. R. E. Tulloss, Ph.D., D.D.	Hon. John L. Zimmerman, LL.D.
Rev. P. W. Koller, D.D.	Mr. Wm. H. Schauss
Rev. A. J. Holl	Prof. Carl Meyer
Rev. A. L. Benze, D.D.	Mr. J. W. Kahler
Rev. V. G. A. Tressler, Ph.D., D.D.	Mr. Paul Heymann
Rev. A. H. Smith, D.D.	Mr. A. W. Ulrici
Rev. J. H. Dobbyn	Hon. H. W. Harter
Rev. E. W. Simon, D.D.	Mr. F. W. Albrecht
Rev. J. F. Seebach	Mr. I. F. Mellinger
Rev. W. M. Hackenberg	Mr. A. R. Garver
Rev. G. B. Schmitt, D.D.	Mr. C. H. Mueller
Rev. J. E. Zimmerman	Mr. O. W. Kerns
Rev. B. F. Hoefer	Mr. Marvin Lutz
Rev. A. E. Bell	Mr. J. H. Clark
Rev. W. C. Spayde	Mr. Geo. Baker
Rev. J. Sittler, D.D.	Mr. H. B. Belmer
Rev. L. H. Larimer	Mr. A. W. Webber
Rev. E. C. Xander	Prof. Ph. Schneider

*Date of organization of the East Ohio Synod which, on November 3, 1920, with the Synod of Miami (organized October 16, 1844), Wittenberg Synod (organized June 8, 1847) and the District Synod of Ohio (organized August 1857) merged into the Synod of Ohio of The United Lutheran Church in America.

9. East Pennsylvania Synod

Organized May 2, 1842

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Henry W. A. Hanson, D.D.	Mr. E. A. Hefflefinger
Rev. A. Pohlman, D.D.	Mr. R. J. Calm
Rev. S. S. Diehl	Mr. John Nice
Rev. L. C. Manges, D.D.	Mr. A. D. Chiquoine
Rev. D. E. Rupley	Mr. A. K. Jacks
Rev. J. F. Hartman, D.D.	Mr. J. A. Dehoff
Rev. A. M. Stamets, D.D.	Mr. H. J. Knoll
Rev. Thos. Reisch, D.D.	George E. Dietrich, M.D.
Rev. Grayson Stup	Mr. Edward Weaver
Rev. J. H. Musselman, D.D.	Mr. Wm. T. Voll
Rev. E. H. Delk, D.D.	Mr. A. M. Landis
Rev. Wm. J. Miller, Jr.	Mr. George W. Radel

10. Alleghany Synod

Organized September 9, 1842

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. C. E. Kuhnert	Mr. J. W. Kildow
Rev. J. M. Rearick	Mr. W. B. Miller
Prof. H. C. Alleman, D.D.	Mr. Fred Sammel
Rev. J. W. Shannon, D.D.	Mr. Charles D. Fritz
Rev C. P. Bastian	Mr. M. G. Smith
Rev. W. H. B. Carney, D.D.	Mr. George M. Garner
Rev. Isaac Krider	Mr. V. N. Herbster

11. Pittsburgh Synod

Organized January 15, 1845

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Ellis B. Burgess, D.D.	Robbin B. Wolf, Esq.
Rev. John J. Myers	Hon. A. E. Reiber
Rev. Chas. P. MacLaughlin, D.D.	Prof. O. F. H. Bert
Rev. A. J. Turkle, D.D.	Mr. Charles F. Stifel
Rev George H. Schnur, D.D.	Hon. Charles Young
Rev. E. M. Gearhart	Mr. J. A. Maier
Rev. E. A. Tappert, D.D.	Mr. C. W. Herman Hess
Rev. B. F. Hankey	Mr. J. L. Frederick
Rev. J. Elmer Bittle, D.D.	Mr. John F. Gingenbach
Rev. G. L. Rankin	Mr. F. A. Steber
Rev. E. E. Blint, D.D.	Mr. John A. Hill
Rev. C. A. Dennig	H. C. Hoffman. M.D.
Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D.	Hon. J. W. King
Rev. G. W. Englar, D.D.	Mr. Peter Leemhuis
Rev W. E. Frey	G. F. Greiner, Esq.
Rev. Ambrose Hering	Mr. J. L. Carlson
Rev. M. L. Clare, D.D.	Mr. C. J. Mensch
Rev. G. Arthur Fry	Mr. C. H. Dills
Rev. Theodore Buch	Mr. A. F. Landis
Rev. John J. Hill, D.D.	Mr. I. R. Mayers
Rev. C. M. Teufel	Mr. Reuben Weisgarber

12. The Indiana Synod

**Organized October 28, 1848*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. J. B. Gardner	Mr. C. D. Zimmer
Rev. J. P. Miller, D.D.	Mr. H. C. Hasemeier
Rev. W. C. Davis	Mr. A. G. Renau
Rev. H. K. Fenner, D.D.	Mr. J. E. Spiegel
Rev. A. E. Renn, D.D.	Mr. A. L. Feldkircher

*Date of organization of the Olive Branch Synod which, on June 24, 1920, with portions of the Chicago Synod (organized 1896), united to form The Indiana Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.

13. The Illinois Synod

**Organized September 8, 1851*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. John M. Bramkamp, D.D.	Mr. C. H. Boyer
Rev. Carroll J. Rockey	Mr. C. J. Driever
Rev. Roger C. Kauffman	Mr. Frederick Sachse
Rev. D. L. McConnell	Mr. Alfred Arnesen
Rev. J. C. Kauffman, D.D.	Mr. Allen J. Hersch
Rev. Geo. P. Kabele	Mr. C. W. Howe
Rev. I. W. Bingaman, D.D.	Mr. Julius C. Skoog
Rev. H. D. Hoover, Ph.D., D.D.	Mr. H. A. Kingsbury
Rev. C. H. Hightower	Mr. C. A. Kober
Rev. H. L. McGill, D.D.	Mr. Fred Dietz

*Date of organization of The Northern Illinois Synod which, on June 10, 1920, with the Central Illinois (organized 1862), portions of the Chicago (organized 1896) and the Southern Illinois (organized 1901) Synods, formed The Illinois Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America.

14. Texas Synod

Organized November 10, 1851

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. F. F. Eberhardt, D.D.	Mr. Joe Pannen

15. Synod of Central Pennsylvania

Organized February 21, 1855

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. A. H. Spangler, D.D.	Mr. Charles A. Widle
Rev. W. M. Rearick, D.D.	Mr. F. M. Crawford
Rev. J. F. Harkins	Hon. C. M. Bower
Rev. W. J. Schultz	Mr. Irwin Baker

16. Mississippi Synod

Organized July 25, 1855

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. M. D. Huddle	Mr. H. G. Hofmann*

17. Synod of Iowa

Organized September 3, 1855

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. J. S. Leamer, D.D.	Hon. U. S. Alderman
Rev. J. O. Simon	Mr. H. A. Mohl
Rev. J. A. Miller	Mr. J. A. Behnke

18. The Michigan Synod

**Organized October 27, 1855*

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Courtland Miller	Mr. W. A. Reichert*
Rev. L. S. Keyser, D.D.	Mr. C. E. Etnire
Rev. Alonzo B. Garman	Mr. J. B. Franke
Rev. L. W. Sifferd	Mr. Fred E. Buergin *
Rev. Paul H. Krauss	Mr. W. W. Echel

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19. Synod of Georgia and Adjacent States

Organized July 20, 1860.

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. C. F. W. Hoppe, D.D.	Wm. B. Ahlgren, Esq.
Rev. W. E. Pugh	Mr. J. H. Paulsen

20. Synod of Canada

Organized July 21, 1861

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. O. C. D. Klaehn	Mr. J. Conrad
Rev. O. Stockmann	Mr. A. L. Bitzer, B.A.
Rev. H. Twietmeyer	Mr. L. Peine
Rev. M. Voelker	Mr. Herm. Monk

21. Susquehanna Synod

Organized November 5, 1867

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. C. R. Myers	Mr. Glenn W. Foulke
Rev. J. B. Focht, D.D.	Mr. B. F. Apple
Rev. John Wagner, D.D.	Prof. E. M. Brumgart
Rev. A. W. Smith	Dr. A. M. Hall
Rev. N. S. Wolf	Mr. H. W. App *

22. Synod of Kansas

Organized November 5, 1868

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. B. R. Lantz, D.D.	Mr. L. T. Bang
Rev. C. E. Gardner, D.D.	Mr. J. E. Brewer *
Rev. N. D. Goehring	Mr. J. D. Elder
Rev S. S. Kauffman, D.D.	Mr. Finley Harlow *

23. Synod of Nebraska

Organized September 1, 1871

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. C. B. Harman, D.D.	Mr. H. C. Luckey
Rev. R. A. White	J. H. Miller, M.D.
Rev. J. H. Fetterolf	Mr. G. H. Haase
Rev. W. I. Guss	Mr. A. E. Hecker
Rev. W. T. Kahse	E. A. Van Fleet, M.D.

24. Wartburg Synod

Organized 1875

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. R. Neumann, D.D.	Mr. John Armbruster
Rev. E. Ortlepp, D.D.	Mr. Louis Christensen
Rev. J. L. Neve, D.D.	Mr. Geo. A. Bosch
Rev. Geo. Schulz	Mr. R. J. Meyer *
Rev. B. Garten, D.D.	Mr. Wm. Heim *

25. German Nebraska Synod

Organized July 24, 1890

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. G. H. Michelmann	Mr. H. S. Monke
Rev. F. Wupper, D.D.	Mr. L. F. Sickmann
Rev. E. Walter	Mr. A. Niemoth *
Rev. J. F. Krueger, Ph.D., D.D.	Mr. H. Imhoff *
Rev. F. Rabe	Mr. John Rohrig
Rev. G. K. Wiencke	Mr. Fr. Iburg *
Rev. M. Schroeder	Mr. W. Leisemeyer
Rev. O. Hausmann	Mr. Rudy Jenny

26. Synod of California

Organized April 2, 1891

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. William H. Derr	Mr. C. L. Birch
Rev. Earnest A. Trabert	C. L. Trabert, Esq.
Rev. John Edward Hoick	Mr. W. J. Gram

27. Rocky Mountain Synod

Organized May 6, 1891

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. R. B. Wolf	Mr. A. F. Sittloh
Rev. H. I. Kohler	Mr. J. E. Robinson

28. Synod of the Northwest

Organized September 22, 1891

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D.	Mr. J. W. Jauno
Rev. W. P. Christy	Mr. J. K. Jensen
Rev. Jos. Stump, D.D.	Mr. O. H. Larson
Rev. P. W. Roth	Mr. H. A. Swanson
Rev. J. F. Fedders	Mr. V. L. Johnson
Rev. M. J. Bieber, D.D.	Mr. A. I. Widlund

29. Manitoba Synod

Organized July 16, 1897

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. H. Becker	Prof. H. W. Harms
Rev. T. Hartig	

30. Pacific Synod

Organized September 26, 1901

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. F. W. Bussard	Mr. C. F. Wolf
Rev. W. E. Brinkman	Mr. H. E. Turner

31. New York and New England Synod

Organized September 23, 1902

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Samuel G. Trexler, D.D.	Mr. James Gear
Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D.D.	Mr. Frederick Henrich
Rev. F. F. Fry, D.D.	Mr. Robert E. Gaskell
Rev. Hermann F. Miller	Mr. William H. Stackel
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Rev. A. Steimle, D.D.	Prof. R. S. Saby
Rev. C. D. Trexler	Mr. Robert F. Bowe

32. Nova Scotia Synod

Organized July 10, 1913

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. E. V. Nonamaker, B.A.*	Mr. A. L. Ernst*

33. Synod of New York

Organized October 7, 1908

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. C. W. Leitzell, D.D.	Hon. E. F. Eilert
Rev. F. H. Knubel, D.D., LL.D.	Mr. George Crocker
Rev. J. H. Meyer	Mr. H. Albers
Rev. A. E. Deitz, D.D.	Mr. Frank Grumback
Rev. L. F. Wagschal	Mr. Geo. Witt
Rev. J. E. Heindel, D.D.	Mr. F. H. Wefer
Rev. H. D. Shimer	Mr. F. S. Houck
Rev. J. G. Traver, D.D.	Mr. E. E. Parbst*
Rev. F. E. Oberlander, D.D.	Mr. Grant Van Hoesen
Rev. E. J. Flanders	Mr. E. A. Coon
Rev. W. E. Traver	Mr. A. Oberlander
Rev. O. E. Voigt	Mr. Charles H. Dahmer
Rev. E. L. Keller, Ph.D.	Mr. Emery Zimmerman
Rev. E. von Hahmann, Ph.D.	Mr. Wm. Reiffel

34. Central Canada Synod

Organized November 11, 1908

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Jacob Maurer, D.D.	Mr. J. C. Casselman

35. Synod of West Virginia

Organized April 17, 1912

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. Roy J. Meyer	Mr. J. C. Kephart
Rev. D. P. T. Crickenberger	Mr. C. W. Nolte

36. The Slovak Lutheran "Zion" Synod

Organized June 10, 1919

Clerical	*Lay*
Rev. L. Novomesky, Ph.D.	Samuel Lichner, M.D.
Rev. M. F. Benko	Mr. C. L. Orbach

*After a name = absent.

Dr. Clutz, the temporary presiding officer, made a statement from the Chair concerning the illness of President Knubel. He stated further that the Executive Board had thought best to refer to the Convention the matter of the election of a President pro tem.

Thereupon the Rev. J. A. W. Haas nominated, as Acting Chairman of this Convention, the Rev. Ellis B. Burgess, President of the Pittsburgh Synod. This nomination was seconded and unanimously carried.

Dr. Burgess was escorted to the Chair by Drs. J. A. W. Haas and S. G. Trexler and in a brief address signified his acceptance of the duties to which he was called by the Convention.

By action of the Convention the Secretary forwarded the following resolution to President Knubel:

In view of the serious illness of the President of The United Lutheran Church in America, preventing his attendance at the opening of this Convention, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express our sincere sympathy with Dr. Knubel and deep regret at his inability to be present with us.

That the prayers of the members of the Convention be made to God incessantly for his speedy recovery.

That we convey to him the joyous hope that he may be permitted to be with us for at least the larger part of the Convention.

That these resolutions be conveyed to Dr. Knubel by the Secretary of this Convention.

The Acting President announced that the Rev. E. C. Cronk, D.D., had been appointed Assistant to the Secretary.

Upon motion the reports as published in the Bulletin were received to be acted upon in their due order.

Upon motion the Order of Business as presented in the Bulletin was approved.

A ruling made by President Knubel ad interim, concerning an amendment to the By-Laws (Section V. Sub-section B, item 4) adopted at the Washington Convention, was read as follows:

At the Washington Convention an amendment was made to the By-Laws concerning the membership of men on two boards of the Church. After the conclusion of the Washington Convention I discovered that the same provision exists in the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church

in America. It occurred to me at once that no amendment of the By-Laws could be of any force so long as a provision of the Constitution existed with which this amendment to the By-Laws is in conflict. I therefore felt an impossibility to enforce the amendment to the By-Laws as adopted at Washington, and would now hereby formally declare the amendment to the By-Law adopted at Washington null and void because of its conflict with the Constitution.

In order to assure myself as to the right of such a ruling on my part, I undertook to ask the advice of the Commission of Adjudication upon this matter. They have kindly given their advice which approves of my ruling. Their advice will be found in their report to this Convention.

The ruling was accepted without question or objection.

The Chair announced the Special Committees for the Convention as follows:

Nominating Committee No. 1

Rev. W. L. Stough, Chm.	Mr. Henry Heuer
Rev. H. C. Wasmund	Dr. A. M. Hall
Rev. O. C. D. Klaehn	Mr. H. E. Turner
Rev. Courtland Miller	Prof. Carl Meyer
Rev. B. R. Lantz	William B. Ahlgren, Esq.
Rev. H. K. Fenner	E. W. Herrmann, Esq.
Rev. W. H. Derr	Hon. B. Capps
Rev. H. Becker	Mr. O. H. Larson

to make nominations to fill vacancies in the following Boards:

Foreign Mission, Home Mission and Church Extension, Northwestern Mission, Immigrants Mission, West Indies Mission, Education, Inner Mission, Publication, Ministerial Relief, Parish and Church School, Deaconess Work and Committee on Jewish Missions.

Nominating Committee No. 2

Rev. J. L. Morgan, Chm.	Mr. R. W. Kime
Rev. S. G. Trexler	C. L. Trabert, Esq.
Rev. J. F. Fedders	Hon. Charles Young
Rev. F. M. Urich	Mr. S. R. Kopner
Rev. F. F. Eberhardt	W. Steinkamp, Esq.
Rev. A. L. Benze	Mr. C. F. Wolf
Rev. J. B. Gardner	Prof. S. J. Derrick
Rev. S. S. Diehl	Mr. Alfred Arnesen
Rev. W. E. Traver	

to make nominations to fill vacancies on the following Boards, etc.:

Executive Board, Commission of Adjudication, Committee on Church Papers.

Nominating Committee No. 3

Rev. W. M. Rearick, Chm.	Mr. H. C. Luckey
Rev. Roy J. Meyer	Prof. O. F. H. Bert

to make nominations to fill vacancies in the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Tellers' Committee No. 1

Mr. B. F. Apple, Chm.	Mr. Frank Smith
Mr. J. K. Jensen	Mr. A. F. Sittloh
Mr. Charles F. Stifel	Mr. Daniel Wertz
Mr. T. Rohrs	

Tellers' Committee No. 2

Mr. L. C. Lesher, Chm.	Mr. A. R. Nisely
Mr. E. A. Hefflefinger	Prof. Ph. Schneider
Mr. J. H. Paulsen	Mr. Luther F. Waidelich
Mr. H. D. Derrick	

Tellers' Committee No. 3

Mr. L. T. Bang, Chm.	Mr. J. A. Casselman
Mr. W. J. Gram	Mr. H. D. Derrick
Prof. H. L. Mock	Mr. J. C. Skoog
Mr. M. W. Lutz	

Tellers' Committee No. 4

Mr. W. B. Miller, Chm.	Mr. Robbin B. Wolf
Mr. Frank Grumback	Mr. Grant Hultberg
Mr. C. W. Nolte	Mr. G. F. McAllister
Mr. A. W. Ulrici	Mr. Joseph W. Kahler
Mr. C. E. Etmire	Mr. George E. Neff
Mr. William Snyder	Mr. A. F. Sittloh
Mr. H. A. Kingsbury	Mr. A. H. Kohn
Capt. H. M. M. Richards	Mr. R. C. Counts
Mr. C. F. Stifel	Mr. J. S. Etter

Tellers' Committee No. 5

Mr. Frederick Henrich, Chm.	Mr. Harry Hodges
Mr. Joseph W. Kahler	Mr. J. S. Etter
Mr. Peter Leemhuis	Mr. A. D. Chiquoine
Mr. W. H. Schauss	Mr. H. L. Bonham
Prof. S. J. Derrick	Mr. R. W. Kime

Committee on Proceedings of Constituent Synods

Rev. C. P. MacLaughlin, Chm.	Rev. R. Neumann
Rev. J. J. Schindel	Dr. R. Moldenke
Rev. C. J. Rockey	Mr. Oscar Schmidt

Rev. W. I. Guss	Hon. C. M. Bower
Rev. J. S. Leamer	Dr. George E. Dietrich
Rev. C. E. Kuhnert	Mr. F. S. Houck
Rev. J. B. Focht	Mr. H. S. Monke
Rev. A. R. Steck	Mr. J. A. Dehoff
Rev. C. D. Trexler	Mr. B. B. Hare

To this Committee were referred letters and memorials.

Committee on President's Report

Rev. E. M. Gearhart, Chm.	L. Russell Alden, Esq.
Rev. M. Voelker	Prof. G. F. McAllister
Rev. C. B. Harman	Mr. W. C. Seitz
Rev. A. H. Spangler	Mr. Frederick Sachse
Rev. E. H. Copenhaver	Mr. John E. Snyder
Rev. H. Manken, Jr.	Mr. A. K. Jacks
Rev. L. Novomesky	Hon. U. S. Alderman
Rev. J. F. Crigler	Mr. George Witt
Rev. G. H. Michelmann	Mr. John H. Keiser

Committee of Reference and Counsel

Rev. P. W. Koller, Chm.	Rev. Luther Kuhlman
Rev. I. B. Kurtz	Prof. R. S. Saby
Rev. Ambrose Hering	Hon. J. W. King
Rev. J. G. Traver	Mr. M. L. March
Rev. J. F. Hartman	Mr. H. C. Hasemeier
Rev. J. Maurer	Mr. J. L. Frederick
Rev. W. E. Pugh	Dr. J. F. Trexler
Rev. R. B. Wolf	

This Committee was appointed to consider all general resolutions before they were submitted to the Convention; to arrange with the President for the hearing of representatives sent to the Convention; generally to assist the President in the daily program.

Committee on Devotional Services

The Standing Committee on Church Music. Its duties being to name and secure men to conduct opening and closing devotions at the several sessions of the Convention.

Committee on Leave of Absence

Rev. J. F. Seebach, Chm.	Rev. I. W. Bingaman
Rev. Albert Bell	Mr. J. Conrad
Rev. W. J. Miller, Jr.	Mr. J. W. Kildow
Rev. B. Mehrtens	Mr. J. A. Behnke
Rev. M. D. Huddle	Mr. J. H. Michael

Rev. W. E. Brinkman	Mr. G. H. Haase
Rev. G. K. Wiencke	Mr. R. C. Counts
Rev. E. J. Flanders	Mr. Wm. Heim

On motion of the Rev. J. A. W. Haas it was resolved that the precedent of the Washington Convention be followed and that all resolutions be referred to the Committee of Reference and Counsel before being presented to the Convention. On motion of the Rev. J. A. Clutz it was ordered also that all applications to present greetings or causes be placed in the hands of the Committee.

The Secretary requested on behalf of the Executive Board permission to add an item to its report to be numbered item 3 in the section referring to Boards and Elective Committees (III, A). Permission having been granted the item was read as follows:

3. Concerning Ad Interim Elections:

We recommend—

(a.) That this Convention rescind the action taken at Washington whereby the rule was adopted that ad interim elections could be effective only until the next Convention thereafter; and

(b.) The establishment now and by this action of the rule, that the ad interim election of a member of a Board shall continue effective until the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was elected, or until his membership is otherwise terminated.

(c.) That this rule shall apply to ad interim elections which have been made during the second biennium.

(d.) That hereafter all regular elections be for a term of six years according to the By-Laws (V, B, item 2), except that members of the Executive Board shall be regularly elected for a term of four years according to the Constitution. (Art. XI, Sec. 2).

On motion the item was at once taken up for consideration. The recommendation to reconsider was laid on the table.

The official Minutes of the Second Biennial Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America were approved.

The Report of the President was received and it was announced that copies of it might be obtained at the Secretary's desk.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The By-Laws require that the President shall in his report summarize the general situation of the Church.

In obedience to that requirement, an important fact is to be noted concerning the external organization of the Church. It may be summarized in the word *Orderliness.* The harmony and efficiency of organization contemplated in our Constitution has during the biennium become more fully and more widely understood, developed and followed. This process has caused question here and there, the particular inquiry being as to whether a dangerous centralization mgiht not develop. It has also been asked whether our form of government is not quite different from that existing in the previous General Bodies which established the United Lutheran Church. It should therefore be frankly stated that our organization is a more centralized one. It is, however, not essentially new, being merely the culmination of principles and tendencies formulated and practiced by the three constituting Bodies. Careful study of constitutions and facts will reveal this.

It is easy to criticise the idea of orderly organization, since at its best it establishes merely a machine. In itself it possesses no power to do work. However, there are ideals even in organization. It is the glory of our Constitution that it possesses an ideal. Its very heart is found among the "Objects" (Article VI) of the organization: "To express outwardly the spiritual unity of Lutheran congregations and synods." The contemplation of that "object," of that intention to express outwardly a great spiritual fact, must stir every heart which knows that there is but one true Church and that it continues ever in unity. What impulses are soon awakened by such contemplation that our Church shall worthily express in outward form that true Church? Among the endless deductions one may make he must realize that the U. L. C. A. does not exist merely during its biennial conventions of ten days each, after which each Constituent Synod returns to its independent existence. It cannot be that after a meeting of a Constituent Synod adjourns each congregation takes up a separated life as if there were no Synod and no United Lutheran Church. The life of congregations is continuously a part in the life of all other congregations. The same is true of the life of the Synods. The work which the various executive agencies (Boards and Committees and Commissions) of the U. L. C. A. are continuously carrying on is the work of each congregation and of each Synod just as truly as its own special operations in a community or a State. It is much needed that our people become more fully conscious of this *unity* and *continuity* of their whole Church. They must have the consciousness that they are members of a larger fellowship than merely that of their congregations. This will strengthen congregations also. It will be understood that the whole Church is to strengthen each congregation and vice versa. There is such a thing as congregational selfishness; it exists among us. Only congregations which have far reaching tasks will fully inspire men.

As has been implied, the *continuity* of the U. L. C. A. between conventions is manifested through its many executive agencies. It is their duty as Boards, etc., continuously to investigate the possibilities of their special department, then to educate the Church, and then to follow out what the conventions authorize. These many agencies have differing tasks of a special character. It is therefore true that they cannot manifest the *unity* of the U. L. C. A. between conventions. Such manifestation is provided through the officers, the Executive Board, and the Commission of Adjudication.

There is one great danger to be guarded against when any increase of centralization takes place in an organization. It is that of a standardization of the units in the Body, whereby individual initiative is hampered and the value of varied individual attainments is lost. Our Church in its greater orderliness must be guarded against that danger. A greatly centralized Church will easily develop detailed prescriptions to the congregational units as to their methods of work, their organized societies and activities, etc. The congregational life then becomes standardized. Wherever one travels, each congregation of that Church is a complete copy of all other congregations. As to this possibility, several remarks must be made. There are organized groups of Christians in existence where such actual centralization has become stereotyped. By this method the work of congregations and pastors is made easier, since everything is prescribed for them. Apparently also this dead uniformity promotes growth in numbers. Its vital mistake is that it presumes the problems and possibilities of congregations to be alike. As a matter of fact, they are different and cannot be solved by the same methods. Congregations possess inherent individuality, which demands the consecrated and intense study of pastor and people. The many solutions of individual problems are added wealth for the Church as a whole. Let not this report be understood as suggesting that our Church has because of increased centralization developed a monotonous sameness in its congregations. We possess too exaggerated an individualism in that respect. There are certain manifestations of Lutheran congregational life which are typical and ought to be seen everywhere. It would be possible and interesting to designate such marks of a Lutheran congregation, growing out of our principles. Would that all our congregations possessed them. All that has been said here concerning the danger of contralization has been stated above all in order to reveal that the danger does not exist among us. It is true that our congregations are not grappling in sufficient earnestness with their individual problems, but their individuality is being maintained by them all too well. It is a further indication of the admirable orderliness of our organization that we possess a fundamental check upon the danger of centralization.

That check is provided by the existence and the powers of the Constituent Synods. They possess "State rights" which the central organization may not touch. Only such powers does the U. L. C. A. possess as are prescribed in the Constitution. It is above all the right of the Synods to deal with

the congregations and pastors. Although the congregations (and, indeed, the individual believers) are truly of themselves members of the U. L. C. A., that Church commits the regulation of congregations to the Synods. How then can dangerous centralization, as described in the previous paragraph (standardized congregational life), take place? It is satisfactory to report that a review of the Synods reveals that this principle of Synodical rights is developing. It has not as yet been fully studied by all of the Synods. Some of them, for instance, need to appreciate more fully the responsibility which is theirs. They exercise no real oversight of congregations and pastors. They manifest too little initiative. They are not in close enough contact with the operations and the needs on their own territory from the Boards of the U. L. C. A. They are not studying the special problems of their own districts. They are inclined to "lie down upon the Government," passing responsibilities to the U. L. C. A., as though it were an organization outside of themselves, meanwhile failing to support its operations fully in a financial way. As over against these instances, others might be cited where in various ways synodical independence presents an exaggerated appearance, where full regard for the rights of the whole Church seems to be slighted. No special Synods have been in mind in the above descriptions. They represent accumulated impressions. They are composite photographs. Ours is a delicate, worth-while problem to solve, when adjusting the orderly relations of Synods in a General Body. There are no "counsels of perfection" to advise as yet.

While we are studiously at work upon the *Orderliness* of our Church, let every prayerful effort be bent to prevent inner antagonisms upon that subject. Let China, India and Ireland be pictures to us of the ruinousness of such antagonisms.

This report has hitherto aimed to summarize the general situation of the Church only in so far as its organization is concerned. The Church is, however, also an organism, instinct with life. Its outward form aims, as stated, to express a spiritual reality. However fine the organization, that alone cannot command enthusiastic loyalty. Genuine morale can exist only if there be, for instance, an inner unity, a positive program, an inspiring aim, a consciousness of destiny. What is the situation as to the inner life of our Church?

There are as usual many condemnations of the whole Christian Church today. Many pictures of her deplorable inner state are painted by men who are of the Church. A brief and typical example, sweeping in character, is that from a new book by Prof. E. F. Scott, of Union Theological Seminary: "It cannot be denied that in all the Christian countries there has been a marked decline of the religious spirit during the last fifty years." We are told also that men no longer criticise the Church, they simply ignore it. Staggering figures are massed to reveal the educational inefficiency of the Church. It is pointed out that the youth of today are mentally in chaos,

bewildered by the world's contentment with a mere appearance of righteousness, its purposeless pleasure, its superficial thinking, and its selfish work. It is widely proclaimed that the Church in all lands failed in recent years, when it sanctioned and blessed war, saying to statesmen what they wanted to hear and not what they needed to hear; says the Editor of the Episcopal Churchman, "The Church aids and abets this bestial business in which every government engages in the time of war, of blasting people's souls with the indecencies of hate." The most thought-provoking fact that can be adduced to prove the Church's inner decay is the unquestionable and seemingly almost complete disappearance of family religion.

When the worst has been said, it does not seem necessary to accept the sweeping adverse judgment concerning the Church. At least as concerns our own Church we ought to make more careful examination of the situation.

What is it which the Church must provide for men? A statement from Prof. Harry E. Fosdick led to that question. He said the Church must give men an explanation of life, power to overcome material things, and restoration of soul. Beautiful though that answer read, it is far from complete. She must provide men with a faith and a service, a faith in Christ and a service of and for Christ. It must be a faith which is to be confessed and which provides vision for men (vision in the sense of inspiring certainty). It must be a service which demands industry and which will cultivate a spirit of Christian piety. Let us aim to test the Church in general and our own Church in particular as to both of these provisions.

First, the faith in Christ, which is to be confessed and which provides vision (inspiring certainty). Unquestionably there exists in the Christian Church as a whole a strong tendency to criticise a confessed faith. It takes the form of a steady attack upon the value of creeds. In a very subtle way it tells us that the New Testament is sufficient as a creed. Since it is realized that this can never satisfy the Christian impulse to confess the truth, the tendency mentioned generally continues its attack by asserting that we need "a new presentation of Christianity." In many publications and spoken utterances we are told that the existing forms of Christian confession are contrary in essential matters to the advanced Christian knowledge of the present. The many calls and arguments for this proposed new presentation of our religion will be found to lack definiteness in what they offer us to believe, but we can make a sincere attempt to summarize their teachings. An analysis reveals that the new teachings are marked in varying degrees by two complementing ideas. On the one hand they minimize the supernatural elements of our religion, including especially the facts of *revelation* and *redemption* as the Church has long believed them. Turning away from any genuine adherence to a supernatural revelation in the Scriptures and from a supernatural redemption in Christ's atonement, they on the other hand propose that we believe in a God immanent in humanity, developing along the ages an increasing realization by mankind of what He truly is. Thus in man's own life is He *revealing* Himself progressively. Thus is He *redeeming* man by working out through His indwelling an ever

more perfect humanity This evolutionary conception of revelation and redemption is naturally modified by its milder adherents. Above all do they constantly find themselves unable to explain satisfactorily by any ideas of natural development and environment the marvels of the first Christian century; i. e., the marvel of the Person of Jesus and the marvel of the New Testament. None of them will be found, however, professing any clear-cut adherence to the truths of inspiration, of Jesus Christ as God, of a complete redemption in His life and death. Tracing this analysis of the new teachings to their root idea we discover that this new presentation of Christianity is after all only one more instance of the glorification of man, of the exaltation of the powers of man's mind, of the deification of the human. The old presentation of Christianity, as we know, begins with truths not complimentary to man. It ought now be plainly manifest that the new presentation, attacking a confessed faith, ends with a faith that has no vision in the sense of inspiring certainty and above all with a faith in Christ which sees Him as little more than a great teacher and an inspiring master. This, as stated at the beginning of this paragraph, is not the faith which the Church must provide for man.

We are witnessing in the Church in America a satisfactory reaction against these tendencies. It is commonly called "fundamentalism." In general it deserves sympathy. However, it is not rounded in its conceptions and is generally marked by some objectionable exaggerations.

What now is the situation of our own Church as to this matter of faith? Let us not suppose that we have been entirely uninfluenced by what is going on around us. One need only question the people of our Church to discover that the cry against creeds finds some echoes from them. Confessions seem to be things of indifference to a number of them. So widespread also is the literature which presents the new Christianity that inevitably our pastors have unconsciously absorbed some of its attractive formulations. They need to be on their guard in their borrowings from that literature. The facts which we have been presenting make it very clear, as Bishop Ihmels warns, that our Church must emphasize that she is a confessing Church. In showing that this is the true course for the Church, he points out once more how in the very beginning the Apostles stood forth with their witness concerning Jesus, baptized in Jesus' Name, and gathered around the confession of Him. "God Himself," he says, "opened the mouth of the Church." In emphasizing, however, the importance of confession and of Confessions we must exercise care as a Church that our message be understandable by all. The mere repetition of the formulas of the Confessions in the language of past centuries does not constitute a living witness in the sermons of today. Only through living witness will the faith which is confessed also provide vision, inspiring certainty. In the emphasis upon our intention to be a confessing Church, we ought also to re-emphasize that the title orthodox is not something of which one need be ashamed. Some day the recent fact of the glorious stand of the Gossner Mission in India for

Lutheran orthodoxy will find a place in Church history. Would our Church here stand the test as did that Mission?

The previous paragraph has asserted that inevitably our people have felt the influence of the new theology. It has also appealed that we reassert a living devotion to the idea of a confession of our faith and to our Confessions. It did not declare what our actual situation is. Let it then be clearly stated that the situation of the United Lutheran Church in America as concerns the faith should make our hearts thankfully glad. There are no teachers in our seminaries who have departed from our Confessions. They believe them from the heart. If there is a pastor among us who consciously advocates "the new presentation of Christianity," our Church does not want him. As for our people, it is manifest that they are becoming clearer as to the fact that our Church is standing firm amid the bewilderments of others, and they are glad it is so. We continue to sing as a Church, "Let Christ be all in all," and when we thus sing of Him we know Him as Savior and God.

We may turn now, in the second place, to speak of the inner life of our Church so far as service is concerned. It was said that the Church must provide men with a faith and a service, and that this service must be of and for Christ, must demand industry, and must cultivate a spirit of Christian piety. In this matter of service we again find that in the Christian Church as a whole something new is being called for today. It is commonly called the "Social Gospel." It appeals for "Social Service." Its fundamental claim is that the Church has hitherto confined itself to the service of the individual man, converting him, and then sending him out as good leaven in society. It asserts that the Church owes another and a greater service to humanity. It must directly help the collective groups of men, organized as men are in communities and nations, in industrial and other fellowships. The idea is that the Church ought to guide these groups, whatever they may be, so that they will act as groups in accordance with the principles of Christian morality. This influence directly upon the groups should be exerted by the Church altogether independent of any question as to how large a percentage of the groups is avowedly Christian. It is regarded as sufficient that the groups exist in supposedly Christian nations. As one watches the processes of this movement, it is notable that the purpose is to have the Church go much further than the effort to guide these groups to an adoption of moral principles. Even the application of such principles in minutely detailed economic and political and social prescriptions is urged upon the groups. The Church must enter into the entire study of political and economic science. The Church must also aim to have the prescriptions enacted into law. The glorious outcome of this entire service, when nations and communities and other groups accept and act by such principles, will be, it is asserted, the existence of the Kingdom of God among men.

This new idea of the Church's service has gained great vogue. It possesses some thoughts which are true for the activity of the Church. Unquestionably, for instance, the Church must guide and instruct its own mem-

bers more explicitly in the application of their Christianity to their citizenship, their daily work, and all the ways of life. Likewise the Church must definitely proclaim from the housetops the principles of Christian morality. The Church should also speak in any public crisis, when it can fearlessly utter a message directly from God's Word in such crisis. However, in all such testimony the Church's message is one which has as its single aim repentance. It is not speaking merely to condemn, to have laws enacted, to coerce men. Yet the path of the "Social Gospel" seems to end entirely in just those things. And this supposedly will be the Kingdom of God! The crucial mistake is that it is supposed the Kingdom of God has come, when God's will is *done*. That is not true. It is not His Kingdom unless His will is also *loved*. The Church cannot be serving Jesus Christ unless it is converting men to love God and His will, which is not true of them as they naturally are. The fact of the matter is that the "Social Gospel" is yet one more instance of the exaltation of man as he is by nature. It does not recognize his unwillingness for God, his sinfulness. It does not know that men gathered in their groups do not want God's will. "Social Service" never had a more able and eloquent advocate than Rauschenbusch. He frankly acknowledged that Social Christianity "may teach a more lenient theory of sin."

Our own Church has been thankfully learning from this movement the true things mentioned in the early part of the last paragraph. It has refused, however, to believe that this is more than a part of the whole service which the Church must provide for men. Thinking now of that whole service, what is the situation in our Church? Two years ago the President's report classified our necessary service as threefold—Evangelism, Education, Serving Love. (Let it be said in passing that the true ideas in the "Social Gospel" belong under the third of these headings.)

It was said in beginning this division that the service which the Church is to provide for men must cultivate a spirit of Christian piety. We may therefore now ask as to the types of piety which each of the three kinds of service cultivates. That will then help us to some judgment of the state of the Church in its service. Do we possess the piety which a full service inevitably cultivates? It is very clear, for instance, that a Church which is rightly carrying on its evangelistic, its missionary endeavors will inevitably cultivate in its whole life and in the life of its people the spirit of the pioneer, the spirit that is heroic. There must be the constant longing for fresh conquest, there must be the readiness for brave deeds, there must be the willingness in Christ's Name to attempt the impossible. That is evangelism.

When we turn to the Church's educational work we discover that if truly carried on it develops something quieter in piety, but something equally inspiring and strong. It is here that devotion to the ideal comes in, for education rightly defined is the cultivation of ideals. There are also further results, since devotion to the ideal inevitably creates purpose in life. Last of all with education the piety of the Church gains the wonderful element

of confidence. Recently President Faunce, of Brown University, said that the college student must carry from a college horizon and mastery. Meaning practically the same, we prefer instead of those two to speak of the ideal and of confidence. He omitted entirely, however, that education if true produces purpose. These three mark pre-eminently the piety which is cultivated by Christian education.

Third, we think of our merciful service, of serving love. Whoever studies the history of such service discovers certain unchanging marks of piety in those who were especially given to it and in the operations they carried in. Always one marks the mystical (think of the Inner Mission leaders of Germany, of Dr. Barnardo in England, of Passavant in America, of the deaconesses everywhere); from that inevitably arises the unselfish; out of the unselfish springs the practical. Only one intervening step between the mystical and the practical, though at the first mention of the two they seem and are commonly considered to be opposites. (Let it be said here again in passing that "Social Service," which belongs under this heading, possesses the unselfish and the practical. It has lost the mystical, and so has lost all.)

What a service, what a spirit, what a piety for a Church to possess. Heroic, poineer, ideal, purposeful, confident, mystical, unselfish, practical. Does our Church possess it? We recognize instantly that we are lacking much. We cannot be content with the situation so far as our service is concerned. Shall we not call upon all our missionary, our evangelistic Boards to lead us in heroism, in pioneering? Shall we not insist that our educational agencies guide us to the ideal, to purpose, and to confidence? Will not our appointed commissions of serving love teach us the mystical, the unselfish and the practical? What ideal congregations ours might thus be. We hear the testimonies of our failures when our people go away from home congregations to institutions of learning, to business demands elsewhere, etc. Must we not ask whether we are wholly religious with our Lutheranism? Is our service unqualifiedly of Christ and for Christ? While we humbly confess our faults, let us pray for one another and for our Church as a whole.

A final word in this matter. We said in beginning that the service we provide must also be one that demands industry. Surely we see from the description of our service just given that this is true. In the service we must have the industrious hearts and brains and hands of all our people. We must learn more fully as a Church to provide service for them all. Our pastors likewise must be industrious. Are they not so now? Who of us has ever aimed to be truly a pastor without knowing how much there is which calls us and which fritters our efforts away and which dissipates our lives? We must learn to pick more carefully the things which are ours in our task and bravely refuse all else which enticingly lures us.

The attempt to describe the situation of the Church has been concluded. May our Lord help us to understand our Church the better, to develop our

confession and our piety in service and our type of Christian congregation, and to be loyal where He has called us.

A few brief statements must be added to this report since the By-Laws require that the President shall report also his work during the biennium. If desired, this can be done in detail. However, it has been his policy to do nothing of importance without consultation with the other officers and without, furthermore, full report to the Executive Board. Indeed, in almost all instances that entire Board has been consulted in advance. Thus it is that everything he has done finds a natural place in the report of that Board. He would testify once more to the readiness of these brethren, to the mighty strength of their support, and to the unanimity of all vital decisions. It is a matter of the heart's testimony in saying that bonds of loving gratitude have grown even stronger. The Church as a whole has been wonderful in its consideration and its helpfulness; it is simple truth to say that without this the work would have been almost impossible, but that with it the work has been a daily joy. As is true of every Christian, I cannot tell how much the Lord has been; He is the Keeper of us all.

Attendances at meetings of Synods and Boards, conferences, travels, correspondence, etc., have been just all that was possible.

It is a pleasure to report that the details of merging the agencies of the three General Bodies have practically been completed. A few items need attention and will be covered by the agencies concerned probably within a month after the new biennium begins.

Although the actual date has passed by, it seemed well that some note should be made by this Convention of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the completion of Luther's translation of the New Testament. Prof. H. C. Alleman, D.D., our representative to the American Bible Society, will speak upon the subject at the opening of Friday afternoon's session.

In conference with the Committee on Linguistic Interests arrangements were made during the biennium for the meeting of a German Conference in Buffalo during October, 1921. That committee will make report concerning the same.

The following resignations from standing committees were received: Prof. H. C. Offerman, D.D., from the Committee on Linguistic Interests; Rev. W. E. Stahler, D.D., from the Necrological Committee; Rev. R. L. Patterson, D.D., from the Necrological Committee. Rev. P. Mennenoeh was appointed a member of the Necrological Committee.

Having reached the order for the election of President and Secretary the Chair ruled that it was within the power of the Convention to postpone the special order.

On motion of Mr. E. F. Eilert the election of a President and

Secretary was postponed until a time to be fixed by the Committee of Reference and Counsel.

The Treasurer of The United Lutheran Church presented his report. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

for the Fiscal Year Ended July 31st, 1921.

APPORTIONMENT AND SPECIALLY DESIGNATED FUNDS.

Synods:	Paid on Apportionment	Paid on Specials
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$191,472.39	$4,354.76
Ministerium of New York	32,143.71	3,363.10
North Carolina	13,689.10	103.00
Tennessee	7,638.00	1,201.10
Maryland	60,654 81	245.50
South Carolina	19,132.37	2,417.50
West Pennsylvania	61,142.00	9,624.35
Virginia	9,433.41	1,357.13
East Ohio	10,386.63	3,497.00
Allegheny	52,909.00	4,661.00
East Pennsylvania	71,381.09	10,979.42
Southwestern Virginia	4,600.00	145.26
Miami	6,700.00	70.00
Wittenberg	16,229.78	.....
Texas	1,041.75	.....
Central Pennsylvania	20,726.00	.....
Iowa	7,085.45	117.38
Mississippi	364.87	8.52
District of Ohio	3,162.62	70.00
Georgia	9,930.00	244.81
Holston	2,181.00	34.37
Canada	8,150.63	2,772.97
Susquehanna	37,722.00	2,662.00
Kansas	11,406.57	144.20
Nebraska	17,093.06	1,505.28
Wartburg	3,572.86	300.00
California	7,219.50	32.00
Rocky Mountain	2,928.40	928 85
German Nebraska	3,900.64	434.35
Northwest	14,848.01	1,167.43
Pacific	2,087.77	97.25
New York and New England	42,000.00	1,944.04
Nova Scotia	1,382.16	17.30
New York	37,090.75	1,559.24
Central Canada	1,972.83	68.70
West Virginia	8,417.00	471.27
Pittsburgh	99,324.23	1,619.98
Indiana	12,207.00	2,234.92
Illinois	$39,800.00	$4,150.93
Michigan	15,756.36	932.43
Ohio	45,000.00	8,573.43

Synods:	Paid on Apportionment	Paid on Specials
Zion Slovak	322.22	.....
Zion Lutheran Church, Canton, Ohio	200.00	.....
St. John's Ancram	60.10	.....
Church of the Holy Comforter	101.02	.....
Women's Missionary Society	.....	165,288.99
Board of Northwestern Missions	.....	1,161.05
Augustana	.....	121,85
Miscellaneous	.....	2,271.43
	$1,014,567.09	$242,954.09

Paid on Apportionment	$1,014,567.09
Undistributed Balance of July 31, 1920	1,657.80
	$1,016,224.89
Distributed in accordance with the basis of The United Lutheran Church Budget	1,015,254.56
Undistributed Balance, July 31, 1921	$970.33

THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH TREASURY.

Receipts.

Proportion of Apportionment	$30,624.00	
Proceeds from sale of Securities	4,277.88	
Bank Interest	3,302.14	
Income from Investments	226.25	
Lutheran Bureau	60.00	
Board of Publication	500.00	
Ministerium of New York	25.00	
East Pennsylvania	9.00	
California	19.00	
Rocky Mountain	60.51	
Nebraska, German	50.00	
Pittsburgh	1.00	
		$39,154.78

Expenditures.

Salaries: President	$5,958.32
Secretary	3,958.34
Clerks	3,897.65
Traveling Expense	686.50
Traveling Expense	164.99
General Expense	296.48
Printing and Stationery	899.55
Postage	91.24
Rent	3,283.41
Treasurer's Expense	403.35
Telephone	19.73
Executive Board	1,049.17
Common Service Book Committee	137.71

Committee on Federal Council	$166.49	
Necrology Committee	147.17	
Statistical and Year Book Committee	167.55	
Women's Work Committee	41.00	
Convention Expense	19,675.90	
Lutheran Brotherhood Committee	3,286.21	
Committee on Synods	6.00	
Sunday School Board	167.85	
Chicago Seminary Arbitration Committee	1,072.00	
Church Music Committee	56.93	
Board of Parish and Church Schools	306.79	
Committee on Moral and Social Welfare	117.26	
Committee on Survey and Co-ordination	57.32	
Church Paper Committee	23.00	
Committee on Publicity	544.38	
Committee on Evangelism	185.42	
Church Architecture Committee	92.54	
Special Commissions	135.00	
Work Among Boys' Committee	176.47	
Young People's Association Committee	162.25	
Publication of Minutes	4,148.79	
Committee of Adjudication	262.69	
Committee on Book of Family Devotion	10.00	
		$51,855.45
Overdrawn		$12,700.67
Balance, U. L. C. Treasury Account, July 31, 1920		5,561.12
Overdrawn, July 31, 1921		$7,139.55
Balance of Apportionment Fund		$ 970.33
Balance of Cover Trust		150.00
Balance of Sotter Trust		198.00
Balance of Swygert Trust Income		75.41
Balance of Sotter Trust Income		333.75
Balance of Cover Trust Income		3.33
		$1,724.16
Overdrawn U. L. C. Treasury Account		7,139.55
Overdrawn, July 31, 1921		$5,415.39
Overdrawn	$5,915.39	
In hands of Secretary	500.00	
		$5,415.39

Philadelphia, 28th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Treasurer of

THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

for the year ended 31st July, 1921, and we certify that in our opinion the foregoing statements of

Apportionment and Specially Designated Funds

Receipts and Expenditures

Securities Owned by the United Lutheran Church, and Trust Funds are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

for the Fiscal Year Ending July 31, 1922.

APPORTIONMENT AND SPECIALLY DESIGNATED FUNDS.

Synod.	Synodical Appor.	Paid on Appor.	Paid on Specials
Ministerium of Pennsylvania	$316,105	$197,618.45	$9,602.77
Ministerium of New York	126,608	33,831.26	4,004.16
North Carolina	45,512	20,001.00	1,641.06
Maryland	78,613	76,620.24	2,821.47
South Carolina	27,307	20,539.79	1,317.65
West Pennsylvania	76,130	54,208.32	7,385.14
Virginia	15,722	10,822.00	1,646.49
Alleghany	56,270	54,708.00	6,138.00
East Pennsylvania	98,473	64,308.60	10,993.09
S. W. Virginia	9,930	5,000.00	302.39
Pittsburgh	137,365	99,429.66	2,943.89
Texas	4,965	1,404.85	120.20
Central Pennsylvania	24,825	18,507.00	5.00
Iowa	14,895	7,500.00	386.04
Mississippi	910	310.45	38.04
Georgia	9,930	4,700.00	547.69
Holston	3,310	600.00	.....
Canada	26,480	5,188.76	3,224.85
Susquehanna	41,375	37,916.00	1,761.00
Kansas	16,550	11,800.25	166.69
Nebraska	23,170	17,788.24	624.42
Wartburg	16,550	3,350.00	929.00
California	10,757	6,910.22	10.90
Rocky Mountain	4,965	2,436.07	262.01
German Nebraska	24,825	3,500.00	2.00
Northwest	37,238	12,544.16	1,497.74
Manitoba	9,930	.....	685.10
Pacific	4,137	4,162.08	275.99
New York and New England	57,098	42,000.00	3,090.91
Nova Scotia	5,793	1,310.41	7.56
New York	79,440	32,475.92	3,017.71
Central Canada	4,137	1,792.65	456.24
West Virginia	9,930	5,990.10	106.05
Zion Slovak	8,275	400.00	25.00
Indiana	19,860	16,803.00	1,434.70
Illinois	51,305	33,000.00	5,881.75
Michigan	23,170	14,080.17	252.39
Ohio	129,435	103,104.96	9,578.07
C. M. Mayer	.....	5.00	.....
Dr. Wm. H. Witte	.....	5.00	.....
Women's Missionary Society	.....	.....	215,609.55
Augustana	.....	.....	2,148.41
Miscellaneous	.....	.....	4,107.51
		$1,026,672.61	$305,048.63

Paid on Apportionment	$1,026,672.61
Undistributed Balance of July 31, 1921	970.33
Total	$1,027,642.94
Distributed in accordance with the basis of The United Lutheran Church Budget	$1,025,920.69
Undistributed Balance July 31, 1922	$1,722.25

THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH TREASURY.

Receipts.

Proportion of Apportionment	$31,045.60	
East Penna	5.00	
General Synod	438.38	
Wartburg	8.00	
General Council	657.69	
Refund Office Expense	2.65	
Board of Publication	846.00	
Interest to May 31, 1922	1,484.83	
Total		$34,488.15

Expenditures.

Salaries, President	$6,000.00	
Secretary	4,000.00	
Clerks	4,081.20	
Traveling Expense, President	257.00	
Traveling Expense, Secretary	298.41	
General Expense	334.90	
Printing and Stationery	618.34	
Postage	146.95	
Rent	3,500.04	
Treasurer's Expense	475.40	
Executive Board	1,387.06	
Conference of Presidents	151.47	
Common Service Book Committee	312.17	
Committee on Federal Council	24.50	
Contribution to Federal Council	2,000.00	
Necrology Committee	218.56	
Statistical and Church Year Book Committee	758.31	
Women's Work Committee	111.45	
Chicago Seminary Arbitration Committee	10.00	
Board of Parish and Church Schools	300.25	
Committee on Moral and Social Welfare	10.66	
Committee on Survey and Co-ordination	25.86	
Church Paper Committee	30.04	
Committee on Evangelism	73.04	
Church Architecture Committee	253.44	
Special Commissions	473.61	
Work Among Boys' Committee	182.05	
Young People's Associations Committee	237.14	
Commission of Adjudication	596.53	
Committee on Linguistic Interests	214.79	
Loan to Holy Communion, Harrisburg	1,000.00	
Total		$28,083.17

Balance		$6,404.98
Overdrawn U. L. C. Treasury Account July 31, 1921		$7,139.55
Overdrawn July 31, 1922		$734.57
Balance of Apportionment Fund	$1,722.25	
Balance of Cover Trust	107.50	
Balance of Sotter Trust	178.00	
Balance of Swigert Trust Income	55.41	
Balance of Cover Trust Income	91.37	
Total		$2,154.53
Overdrawn U. L. C. Treasury Account		734.57
Balance on Hand, July 31, 1922		$1,419.96
Of this sum there is in the U. L. C. Treasury		$919.96
Hands of Secretary		500.00
Total		$1,419.96

TRUST FUNDS.

F. P. Cover Trust.

Income of $1,000 to Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Browntown, Va.
Balance of income to Lutheran Orphans' Home, Salem, Va.

$2,000 Old Ladies' Home Mortgage, Charlotte, N. C.
4,000 Strawbridge & Clothier 1st Mortgage 6's.
500 New York Central Equipment 7's.
1,000 Penna. R. R. Equipment 6's.
2,500 U. S. Liberty 4th 4¼'s.
107.50 Cash.

S. C. Swigert Trust.

Income for Education of Theological Students.
$2,000 Pacific Fruit Express Equipment 7's.

Emma Kirmse Sotter Trust.

Income for Home Missions and Church Extension.

$4,000 Standard Tank Car Equipment 6's.
3,000 Constantin Refining 1st Mortgage 7's.
500 New York Central Equipment 7's.
2,000 Chesapeake and Ohio Equipment 6's.
178 Cash.

Respectfully submitted,
E. CLARENCE MILLER, Treasurer.

Philadelphia, 28th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Treasurer of
THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
for the year ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that in our opinion the foregoing statements of
Apportionment and Specially Designated Funds
Receipts and Expenditures
Securities Owned by the United Lutheran Church, and Trust Funds are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

The Report of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement was presented by Mr. A. D. Chiquoine, Executive Secretary of the Movement.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT

The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement herewith presents its second biennial report.

Under the authority granted to it, the Committee increased its membership by adding eight laymen to the number elected at the last convention of the United Lutheran Church. The present members are: J. L. Clark, chairman; P. A. Elsesser, treasurer; E. J. Young, E. Clarence Miller, F. W. Albrecht, I. H. Rehder, Kenneth Baker, Harvey C. Miller, William Decker, Wm. C. Stoever, Wm. H. Hager, I. A. Shaffer, Jr., W. L. Glatfelter, M. P. Möller, E. G. Hoover, Charles Steele, M. H. Buehler, F D. Bittner.

The real objective of the Movement has not been merely to "Raise more money for the Church," but to raise the members of the Church by stimulating a deeper interest and greater activity in personal service of time, talents and means; to equip the Church to fulfill its mission to the world for which it was established. Also to have all the Churches adopt the best practical methods for the members to discharge their obligations as Christian Stewards.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement has supplemented the work of the pastors in raising their Churches to a higher standard of efficiency. It cooperated with the various Boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church in giving information of the work of the Church at home and abroad, instilling the missionary spirit and increasing the contributions for benevolences.

It has stressed the responsibility of the laymen to assume their part in Church work and to relieve the pastors of duties and care which do not properly belong to the office of the ministry.

Systematic efforts were made by correspondence, printed matter and personal visits to carry out the purposes of the Movement. Special emphasis was laid on the value of the duplex weekly envelope system for every Church and Sunday School as the best method for following the scriptural plan of regular, systematic giving and to make it an act of personal worship, and the annual every member canvass during Thanksgiving week, as recommended by the United Lutheran Church, endorsed by the district Synods and urgently requested by the Executive Board. Conferences were held with Church councils, and with Church officers in community groups.

All of the district Synods, except two, have appointed committees to co-

operate with the Laymen's Missionary Movement. The Movement has also had the interest and assistance of the secretaries of all the Boards, and *The Lutheran* has given liberally of its space.

According to reports made to this office, the duplex envelope system is being used in 1,678 pastorates, or 67 per cent. in the United Lutheran Church, but not yet in all the Churches in every pastorate. 11 per cent. are not using the system and 22 per cent. have made no report. In the English Synods, 74 per cent. of the pastorates report having adopted the system.

The Laymen's Missionary Movement has planned and directed the annual simultaneous every member canvass during Thanksgiving week at the request of the Executive Board. While it was impossible to get reports from all the Churches which conducted the canvass, the results were gratifying and encouraging, though not up to expectation nor anywhere near the possibilities. Where the annual visitation did not reach the larger measure of success, it can usually be attributed to a failure to make full and careful preparation for it.

All of the Churches which properly conducted a canvass reported increases in contributions for local Church expenses and benevolences. Last year, $174,000 more was pledged for benevolence than the year before. Besides, many pastors reported other advances in the spiritual life of the congregations. Larger attendance upon public worship, lapsed members reclaimed, new members obtained for the Church, Sunday School, missionary society and other organizations have been mentioned in many instances. Altogether, a deeper interest, new life and activity have been inspired by the annual canvasses.

More than two million pieces of printed literature have been distributed during the biennium. These included 300,000 copies of an informing handbook, furnished by the various Boards, concerning the organization, operation and fields of work of the United Lutheran Church through its established agencies.

The appended report of the treasurer shows the expenses for the two years' work which was carried on without any cost to the Church. The members of the Executive Committee met all the expenses by personal contributions.

Practically all of the pastors and Church officers have been made acquainted with the best modern methods for administering the material affairs of the Church and the Movement has gained a momentum which will require less pioneer and educational work. However, persistent efforts will have to be continued until every congregation uses the duplex envelope system and conducts an annual every member visitation to increase its own efficiency and assure the greatest success in the world work of the United Lutheran Church.

Recommendations:

That every congregation be urged again to adopt and faithfully use the

duplex envelope system and to conduct an annual every member canvass during Thanksgiving week.

That greater emphasis be placed on the principles of Christian Stewardship, especially as applied to possessions, from the pulpit, through printed literature and systematic study in Churches, Sunday Schools and young people's societies.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,
J. L. Clark, Chairman.
A. D. Chiquoine, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

York, Pa., August 21, 1922.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Subscriptions	$28,123.78

EXPENDITURES.

Office Rent	$862.50
Office Equipment	25.00
Office Printing, Miscellaneous	324.83
Printed Literature	5,850.26
Postage, etc.	609.70
Salaries	9,092.00
Traveling Expenses	845.97
Paid on Debt	9,800.00
Interest	276.47
	$27,686.73
Balance	437.05
Less Deficit, July 31, 1920	187.26
Balance on Hand, July 31, 1922	$249.79

Respectfully submitted,
P. A. Elsesser, *Treasurer.*
L. M. M.

Present indebtedness $4,600.

The indebtedness of $4,600 is part of the extraordinary expense incurred during 1919 in connection with the Every Member Canvass Campaign during Thanksgiving week and for which there was expended $17,000. The plan of the Committee has been to divide the expense of this special campaign over several years.

Recommendation 1 was adopted. Recommendation 2 adopted. The Report was adopted as a whole.

Under the order for the election of a Treasurer Dr. John L. Zimmerman moved that the rules be suspended and the Secretary instructed to cast the unanimous ballot of the Convention for E. Clarence Miller as Treasurer for the ensuing biennium.

The motion was carried and the Secretary cast the ballot in accordance with the resolution. Thereupon Dr. Miller was declared elected Treasurer.

On motion of the Rev. Paul Koller the Convention ordered that all speeches be limited to five minutes except that those offering reports be allowed ten minutes for their presentation.

Consideration of the Report of the Executive Board was resumed.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

During the biennium the Executive Board has held nine regular meetings.

On the resignation of Mr. George E. Neff, Hon. C. M. Efird was duly elected to fill the vacancy.

In addition to the committees on Constituent Synods, Boards and Committees, and Finance, there was appointed a Standing Committee on Survey and Co-ordination, which was later merged as a subcommittee into the Committee on Boards and Committees.

The Board presents the following report of its acts:

I. MATTERS REFERRED

A—Concerning Minutes.

Four thousand copies of the Minutes of the Second Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church were published under the direction of our Board of Publication and were ready for distribution on January 12, 1921. The cost of publication was $3,548.79. The Minutes were distributed to delegates to the Convention, to all ministers of the United Lutheran Church, church institutions and State and public libraries. Copies were sent also to prominent individuals both in America and in Europe.

Following instructions of the Washington Convention, the Executive Board published a pamphlet entitled "Extracts from Minutes of Second Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America," which was distributed to all Lutheran ministers throughout the United States and Canada and to numerous publications. It contained the Declaration of Principles Concerning the Church and Its External Relationships; Linguistic Policy of the United Lutheran Church in America; Practical Statements as to the Organized Work of the United Lutheran Church in America; Extract from the President's Report Relating to the General Situation of the Church; Instructions for the Guidance of our Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council, also of the United Lutheran Church in America Toward Other Bodies in the Conduct of Its Home Mission Work; Resolutions Concerning an Ecumenical Lutheran Conference. More than ten thousand copies of the pamphlet were distributed, the total cost of printing and mailing being $472.02.

B—Concerning Voting Privileges of Advisory Members of Boards From the Women's Missionary Society.

The request of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America that the United Lutheran Church "make such amendment to its Constitution and to the Constitutions of its Boards as is necessary in order to grant full voting membership to the representatives of the Women's Missionary Society who are Advisory Members of the various Boards of the Church" was referred by the Executive Board to its Legal Committee.

Upon recommendation of the Committee the following was adopted as the action of the Executive Board:

Resolved, That it is the judgment of the Executive Board that it would be inexpedient and contrary to the spirit of our Constitution and Polity to make anyone an ex-officio voting member of any of our Boards as a representative of any auxiliary organization.

C—Department of Stewardship and Benevolence.

By action of the Second Convention of the United Lutheran Church the Executive Board was authorized to establish a Department of Stewardship and Benevolence, and the Finance Committee of the Executive Board was requested to confer with the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement concerning this matter.

After some delay the Finance Committee reported that a plan for the establishment of the Department had been agreed upon between the Finance Committee of the Executive Board and a committee representing the Laymen's Missionary Movement, to wit: That the Executive Board would elect a Secretary and provide money for his salary and necessary expenses, and they would, on their part, be prepared to nominate an Assistant Secretary and to pay his salary, the expenses of his office and a reasonable amount for necessary literature; the Department to be under the direction of the Executive Board, but the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement to meet at least twice a year in an advisory capacity.

In accordance with these arrangements a Secretary was unanimously elected, but to the regret of the Executive Board and all concerned he felt constrained to decline the call.

While the question of finding another for the position of Secretary was under consideration the leaders of the Laymen's Missionary Movement developed a plan for the establishment of the Department of Stewardship which was submitted to the Executive Board and received favorable consideration.

D—Chicago Seminary.

In response to certain memorials relating to the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Chicago, Ill., the Washington Convention instructed the President of the United Lutheran Church as soon as a formal appeal should be made by the Board of Directors of the said

Theological Seminary at Chicago to appoint a committee of three clergymen and two laymen, learned in the usages and laws of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, to enter into conference with the parties concerned, make a full survey and report their findings to the Executive Board. At the same time the Executive Board was instructed and authorized to act upon said report.

Under date of November 16, 1920, the President and Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary at Chicago wrote to the President of the United Lutheran Church requesting the appointment of the committee provided for by the action of the Convention. Thereupon the President appointed the committee, consisting of the Rev. Drs. Frederick A. Kahler, John C. Seegers, Ezra K. Bell and the Hon. Frank M. Riter, LL.D., and George E. Neff, Esq. In reporting upon the work of the committee, the President said: "They have held a carefully prepared hearing at Chicago, using an entire week of their time. . . . It is sufficient to know that all parties concerned were much gratified with the conduct of the hearing. The services of the committee should have the rich gratitude of the Church. The precedents they have established are of abiding value and promise for the future."

We, therefore, recommend that the United Lutheran Church hereby express its thanks to the committee and record its appreciation of their valuable services.

The Report of the Committee of Investigation was submitted to the Executive Board May 12, 1921, and was referred to a special committee. The report of this committee summarized the Report of the Committee of Investigation and submitted a series of resolutions. The report was adopted by the Executive Board as its own action, as here follows:

The report referred to us is a most carefully prepared document covering sixty-six very large typewritten pages, the reading of which before this Board consumed about two hours and a half. Considering the amount of evidence taken by the committee and condensed in the report, it is evident that the entire work of gathering evidence, weighing the testimony and formulating conclusions, was done in a most conscientious, thorough and painstaking manner, and the result is a clear and concise statement of a many-sided and intricate investigation.

The first part of the report sets forth the preliminaries to the main work of the committee in the following order: (a) the action of the Washington Convention and the appointment in accordance therewith of the following committee—the Revs. F. A. Kahler, D.D.; E. K. Bell, D.D.; J. C. Seegers, D.D., and Laymen George E. Neff, Esq., and Frank M. Riter, Esq., LL.D.; (b) the meeting of the committee with the President and the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church at 437 Fifth avenue, New York City on Monday, January 24, 1921; (c) the first meeeting in Chicago on January 25, giving in groups the names of all those who were present at this meeting under the following heads:

Representatives of the Synod of the Northwest.
Professors of the Ad Interim Divinity School.
Representatives of the Synod of Illinois.
Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary.
Members of Faculty of Chicago Seminary.

There were twenty-one of these persons, substantially all of whom were present at all of the meetings of the committee; (d) the plan of procedure agreed upon at this first meeting "without dissent." This plan provides as follows: "That those interested in the controversy divide themselves into two groups, namely, the Synod of the Northwest, the four members of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary who had resigned as a result of the controversy, the four members of the Faculty of the Chicago Seminary who had been separated from the Faculty by action of the Board of Directors and who subsequently became the Professors in the Ad Interim Divinity School at Chicago and the Illinois Synod on one side, to be designated as the side of the Synod of the Northwest; and the Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary and such of its Faculty as were involved in the discussion, on the other side, to be designated as the side of the Chicago Seminary. It was agreed 'that neither side be represented by legal counsel, and that each side select one of its members to represent it and direct its case.'"

The second part of the report gives a brief history of the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Chicago, concluding with the words: "Thus the Chicago Seminary, while founded by the action and direction of the General Council, in the absence of District Synods to assume the responsibility of its governance and support, was handed over to a self-perpetuating Board."

In connection herewith is added the following statement: "The contention of the Synod of the Northwest in this late difficulty is that this Board should now arrange to become a Board of the District Synods that are now declared to be ready and able to assume the responsibility for governing and supporting this institution."

The third part, covering over fifty-three pages, deals with the investigation proper. The report shows how the committee took up the different phases of the controversy which has so greatly troubled the life of the Chicago Seminary and imperiled its usefulness, devoting attention especially to "those features of the dispute, the determination of which will exercise a controlling influence over its conclusions and recommendations." Each phase of the controversy was exhaustively investigated, and the report gives the committee's analysis of the evidence and also the conclusions of the committee in regard to each of the distinct phases. The utmost fairness was shown by the committee in the hearings, which were "open to all the parties interested." Quoting further from the report: "It may be stated that no witnesses or statements were heard in camera, but on the other hand every witness and statement made by one side was made in the presence of representatives of the other side." In concluding its report the committee says: "Your committee gratefully acknowledges that it received every consideration from those who represented the side of the Synod of the Northwest as well as those who represented the side of the Chicago Seminary, and we were impressed by the unusual vigor and power with which both sides presented their cases."

Fourthly, the recommendations of the committee are submitted and the signatures of all the members of the committee are affixed to the entire report. Here we deem it proper to quote the following statement found near the end of the report: "While Dr. Bell unfortunately could not attend the meeting at Chicago, he acquainted himself with the testimony and evidence submitted to the committee and took part in the consideration of the entire report and its findings."

We, The Committee of the Executive Board, offer the following preamble and resolutions for your consideration:

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WHEREAS, The committee appointed in pursuance to a resolution of The United Lutheran Church has submitted its report to the Executive Board, and

WHEREAS, This Board has given most careful and serious consideration to the report, comparing the analysis of the evidence with the conclusions and recommendations, and

WHEREAS, The Board has been "instructed and authorized to act upon said report"; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, 1, That the Executive Board finds the recommendations clearly and strongly supported by the findings of the committee as stated in the report.

Resolved, 2, That the Executive Board approves and adopts the recommendations of the committee with the following additions: add to subdivision 2 of the "First" recommendation, "by the Board of Directors in conference with representatives of the interested Synods"; and by inserting in subdivision 5 of the "First" recommendation at the end of the second line "Charter" between the words "the" and "Constitution."

Resolved, 3, That in agreement with the recommendations of the Investigating Committee, it is the unanimous judgment of the Executive Board, (a) that the Chicago Seminary should put itself in line with the principle enunciated by the United Lutheran Church in America at its Convention at Washington, D. C., October, 1920, in the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the United Lutheran Church hereby puts itself on record as standing for the principle that educational institutions, whether classical or theological, in order to have an unquestionable claim to the moral and financial support of the Church, should put themselves as soon as possible, if such is not already the case, under the direction and control of a Synod or Synods by providing for the election of their Boards of Directors by Synodical action."

(b) That all members of the teaching force of the Chicago Seminary as of March 12, 1920, consisting of five professors and one instructor, resign all connection with the Chicago Seminary and that such resignations be accepted by the Board of Directors of the said Seminary; (c) that the Ad Interim Divinity School at Chicago now conducted by the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest be discontinued not later than the end of the present scholastic year.

Resolved, 4, That it is the unanimous judgment and firm conviction of the Executive Board that the course of action recommended by the committee and approved by this Board is the only way that can lead to a true Christian settlement of this deplorable controversy and at the same time promote the peace of the Church, the cause of theological education and the best interests of all concerned.

Resolved, 5, That, inasmuch as the parties interested were divided into two groups as indicated above, a copy of this action of the Executive Board together with the recommendations of the Investigating Committee be sent to the President of The Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary representing the one group; likewise that a copy of this action of the Executive Board together with the recommendations of the Investigating Committee be sent to the President of The English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest, representing the other group; and that the report of the Investigating Committee and all exhibits be sealed and filed among the records of The United Lutheran Church in America.

Resolved, 6, That a copy of this action of the Executive Board be sent to each of the members of the committee on the Chicago Seminary; that

a copy of this action, together with a copy of the recommendations of the aforesaid committee, be sent to each of the six members of the teaching force referred to in resolution 3 above; and that for the present no other copies of either report, or parts thereof, than are provided for in resolutions 5 and 6, be made, except that this action shall be made a part of the Minutes of this meeting.

Resolved, 7, That the Executive Board most earnestly appeals to all concerned prayerfully to consider this action, prompted as it is by a sincere desire to promote the glory of our Common Lord and Saviour and taken in the spirit of sympathy and love becoming to men in the flesh, and to accept it as putting an end to an unhappy contention, opening for all the way to better things and rejoicing greatly the heart of the whole Church.

Resolved, 8, That the thanks of the Executive Board be and are hereby tendered to the committee on the Chicago Seminary for the faithfulness and self-sacrificing labor with which they have discharged the duty laid upon them as well as for the tactful and judicious manner in which they handled so delicate and responsible a task.

The Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary, at its meeting on the 26th and 27th of April, 1922, took action (1) accepting the principle enunciated by The United Lutheran Church in America at its Washington Convention relative to Synodical control of educational institutions, and declaring its readiness in 1924 to have the Directors of the Chicago Seminary chosen from such Synods of the United Lutheran Church as are ready and willing to assume and promote the moral and financial trust now committed to the Board of Directors of said Seminary and suggesting that the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church request said Synods to appoint committees which shall, in conjunction with the Board of Directors of the Seminary, formulate plans by which Directors from the various Synods may be elected; (2) informing the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church of the resignation of the Rev. Professors G. H. Gerberding, D.D., LL.D.; J. Stump, D.D.; H. B. Reed, D.D., and P. H. Roth, and the severance of their connections with the Seminary; also requesting the Executive Board, in view of changed conditions, to permit the Rev. Prof. E. F. Krauss, D.D., to remain in the service of the Seminary in some capacity as may be determined and to permit the Board of Directors to dispose of the case in respect to the Rev. Wm. Eckert, B.D., in such manner as in the judgment of the Board will contribute to the best interest of the Seminary and the Church. This action was officially communicated by the Secretary of the Board of Directors.

In connection with this communication from the Board of Directors the second part of clause b of the third resolution concerning the Chicago Seminary adopted by the Executive Board May 12, 1921, and held under motion of reconsideration since September 13-14, 1921, was considered and action was taken as follows:

Resolved, 1, That while we recognize that final power in these matters rests with the Board of Directors of the Chicago Seminary, and while we will fully respect the complete autonomy of the Board, yet solely for the purpose of reaffirming our conviction as to the wisdom and justice of the

findings and recommendations of the Investigating Committee, we readopt the second part of "clause b" relating to Professors; and further, in readopting as a whole the action of the Executive Board at its meeting on May 12, 1921, we call particular attention to the fourth resolution then adopted: See Resolution 4 of the action of the Executive Board reported above.

Resolved, 2, That we note with gratification that "the Chicago Seminary is ready in 1924 to have its directors chosen from such Synods of the United Lutheran Church as are ready and willing to assume and promote the moral and financial trust now committed to the Board of Directors of said Seminary"; and that the Executive Board will gladly coöperate through its President in the effort to secure the appointment by Synods of committees to act in conjunction with the Board of Directors of the Seminary in the formulation of plans.

The Rev. Dr. Krauss and the Rev. Mr. Eckert have since complied with the request of the Executive Board.

E—Survey Commission.

Under three distinct but related actions of the Washington Convention a commission was appointed, by common consent of all concerned, to make a survey of educational and missionary interests in the Northwest, on the Pacific Coast and in Western Canada. Under one of these actions report was to be made to the several Boards concerned "at the earliest possible moment." The others called for a report to the United Lutheran Church. Accordingly, when the commission had completed its task it submitted to the Executive Board in September, 1921, an exhaustive report of its findings with certain suggestions and recommendations. Report was likewise made to the Board of Education and the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension as shown by their reports to this body. The report of the commission, together with the actions of the Executive Board in regard to it, are hereby now submitted in accordance with two of the resolutions.

Report of Survey Commission to the Northwest, the Pacific Coast and Western Canada.

At the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America held at Washington, D. C., October, 1920, the following matters were considered:

1. Pacific Theological Seminary (Minutes, pp. 59-60). The action called for a study of the whole question of Christian education and of institutions especially, as it relates to the Far West, in order that proper adjustments may be made, if possible, before the adoption of final plans. It also advised that representatives of the Seminary, of the Synods in the Far West, and of the Executive Board confer with the Board of Education with a view to such decision of all the questions involved as may result in the enlistment of the full and hearty coöperation of all the interests concerned. A report to the United Lutheran Church in America is demanded.

2. Memorials relating to the establishing of Colleges in the West and Northwest (Minutes, p. 491). One of these asked approval of a coöper-

ative movement for a Joint Lutheran College on the Pacific Coast. The Convention ordered the Board of Education to act for the Church in seeking a conference with the Educational Agencies of other general Lutheran bodies with a view of making complete survey and, if possible, of preparing a plan for such Joint Lutheran College. Report to the United Lutheran Church is called for in this case also.

A second memorial requested the Church to establish a Lutheran College in California. The answer to the memorial restated, as in all such cases, that the United Lutheran Church is not authorized to establish or control schools of learning, but makes this a function of the Synods constituting the body. It, nevertheless, expressed conviction as to the importance and necessity of such an institution. It also said that further action in this case may be taken as in the case above cited, if desired.

3. A motion (Minutes, p. 495) citing the need of missionary and educational surveys on the Pacific Coast, which calls upon the President as representing the Executive Board, along with representatives of the Board of Education and of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to make such complete survey, and to report to the three Boards with suggestions of ways and means for meeting the needs.

In addition to the above three matters the Board of Education was vitally interested in

1. The Saskatoon institution. With this question the Manitoba Synod and the Board of Northwestern Missions were also concerned. The Convention at Washington took action concerning it also. (Minutes, pp. 207, 209, 304.)

2. Institutions of learning on the territory of the Synod of the Northwest, including some definite propositions as to a college in North Dakota or Montana. (Minutes of the Board of Education, December, 1920, p. 75. May, 1921, pp. 88, 96.)

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension has been vitally concerned with its interests in the Northwest and on the Pacific Coast, especially because a Secretary for the Pacific Coast had been included in its original plans.

For the effective prosecution of the decisions of the Convention and of the Boards concerned, it was concluded that all instructions could best be obeyed by a trip through the Northwestern States of the United States, the Pacific Coast and Western Canada made by representatives of the Executive Board, the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, and the Board of Education. Action to that effect was taken by the Executive Board at its meeting on November 30, 1920. Approving action was later taken by the Boards of Home Missions and of Education. The representatives were the President, F. H. Knubel; the General Secretary of the Board of Education, F. G. Gotwald; the Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, J. F. Seibert. The trip was made May

25 to July 9, 1921. It had originally been planned, furthermore, that Mr. Grant Hultberg would accompany the commission, especially along the Pacific Coast, to study publication interests. He helped greatly in preparations for the trip, but was himself prevented at the last moment from taking the journey. In order that all instructions of the Washington Convention might be followed, Rev. E. A. Trabert was appointed by the President of the California Synod to represent that Synod and to accompany the commission during all conferences with the Pacific Synod and with the authorities of the Pacific Theological Seminary.

Individual members of the commission undertook certain preliminary investigations, e. g., a study of opportunities at Bismarck, N. D. The entire commission united at Fargo, N. D., to begin its studies.

The territory covered includes the fields of the Northwest, California, Pacific and Manitoba Synods. These Synods are among the largest in territory of the Constituent Synods (Rocky Mountain and Texas Synods being similar in this respect). They cover what are commonly and rightly considered as less fully developed portions of the United Lutheran Church. It is valuable in these connections to compare the membership of various Lutheran bodies upon the territory. Figures are herewith given for an entire section of country, which includes some States and Synods, not included in the survey. The section figured is one in which it is commonly believed that the United Lutheran Church has no sizable representation. The table shows that though our representation is not proportionately strong as yet, it constitutes a firm establishment of our work and justifies fullest development. Neglect of the territory would be inexcusable. (The table was prepared by Dr. M. G. G. Scherer.) The tabulation will also be helpful in considering various recommendations of the commission.

COMPARATIVE STRENGTH OF LUTHERAN GENERAL BODIES

in States west of the Mississippi River, North of Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona and including the whole of California. The larger Bodies only are given.

	U. L. C.	Norwegian	Augustana	Joint Ohio	Iowa	Synodical Conference
California	5,587	1,561	2,363	....	....	7,582
Colorado	1,700	395	1,853	1,090	1,754	2,738
Idaho	28	610	743	450	235	902
Iowa	7,457	32,694	14,289	3,890	26,781	27,550
Kansas	6,780	404	8,002	1,544	2,945	15,081
Minnesota	7,263	108,423	51,570	14,073	8,209	75,726
Missouri	2,568	42	697	273	2,052	45,313
Montana	237	5,297	593	345	374	4,033
Nebraska	18,206	1,549	9,261	2,454	8,205	31,324
Nevada	....	....	....	....	....	444
N. Dakota	1,224	49,962	1,930	3,623	6,103	8,972
Oregon	1,038	1,885	1,124	961	95	2,337

S. Dakota	456	26,529	2,902	21	6,282	11,544
Washington	986	6,462	2,713	4,461	339	2,740
Wyoming	82	15	70	....	....	704
Utah	....	....	257	....	....	....
Manitoba, Alta. Sask & B. C.....	5,021	10,544	2,680	9,279	....	14,149
Totals	58,633	246,372	101,047	42,464	63,374	251,139

The Survey was made for missionary and educational purposes alone. The Inner Mission Board has made at least preliminary surveys in the interest of merciful endeavor.

The Commission would here record the warm welcome with which it was received everywhere, the readiness for full conference which was found, the enthusiastic loyalty for the development of the Church's operation which abounded. This enthusiasm must be helped, even though decisions reached may not at once satisfy all of its longings.

Some recommendations of local character which apply especially to the Board of Education or to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension are not included in this report, but will be carried to each Board by its own representative on the Commission.

The Commission would first of all report certain *General Conclusions* reached, which are in the nature of fundamental observations.

1. The need and the opportunity. This applies in general to the territory covered by the survey. Five considerations emphasize this conclusion, a. The territory is not overchurched (from both missionary and educational standpoints) either as concerns Lutheran occupation or as concerns the operations of Protestants in general. b. Without exception, all states and provinces covered have a future of great promise. c. So-called Lutheran material is abundant in practically every section visited. (See Lutheran World Almanac, 1921, pp. 209-210.) d. Protestant denominations generally are occupying these places with vigor, naturally securing also members of Lutheran origin. e. The disproportionately low percentage of the United Lutheran Church's membership in the territory.

Figures need not be presented for the fifth consideration, beyond a comparison of the total in the table above (58,633) with the entire membership of the United Lutheran Church (791,400). It is a question which must be seriously answered as to whether we intend to cover the entire land effectively or to delimit our work and to become in fact provincial. All recommendations made are dependent in large degree upon the answer to that question. All plans of the U. L. C. A., including for instance the location of the Home Mission Board as decided at Washington, will be influenced by the answer given. An affirmative decision in no way implies disregard of home mission comity.

2. Great industry and human determination. These elements in the life of the sections visited impress every traveler. The farms and the mines of the northwestern States; man's triumphant victory in California,

where God's gift of water has been wholly commandeered and where the desert is made to blossom as the rose; the pressing, thriving cities of Washington and Oregon; the endurance of hardship in Western Canada; —these are the elements of the conclusion stated. The conclusion has been stated because the work of the Church in these sections, if it is to be pressed at all, must also be marked by the same industry and the same determination. The need and the opportunity cannot be met without them. The united willingness of the entire Church must fix itself. Half-hearted endeavor will not suffice. On the other hand, the synods and the congregations on the territory must themselves be characterized by the same marks. They cannot depend merely upon the remainder of the Church to do for them. The Church as a whole must be keenly awake to the demand. The two Boards (Home Missions and Education) especially concerned must be ready with constant special surveys, with guidance, and with assistance. Much of the initiative must however be local.

3. The people's lack of definite religious knowledge. Perhaps this is no greater than in other parts of the United States and of Canada. When one listens, however, to the positively childish interpretations of the Scriptures given by the Mormons at their headquarters in the effort to make converts and then notes the number of their adherents, strange thoughts as to the religious gullibility of the people arise. Ignorance as to the Scriptures and as to the scriptural faith is at least manifest. It is to be realized that much of the country under consideration is adjacent to Mormon strongholds. The Pacific Coast is furthermore a hotbed of sects and cults and strange religionists. Evidences of outspoken indifference and antagonism to Christianity were at least as plain as elsewhere in America, perhaps plainer. Places were found where this takes so unusual a form as that the sale of property for a Church building is antagonized because it will lower the value of all surrounding real estate. These conditions emphasize all the more fully the need of Christian missionary and educational work. The firmer establishment of our positive Lutheran faith becomes a responsibility which we cannot avoid. Indeed this third general conclusion becomes an additional consideration under our first conclusion as to the need and the opportunity.

4. The likeness of Lutheranism throughout the land. We refer thereby above all to the fidelity to the faith which Evangelical Lutheranism confesses, and to the consciousness that this faith must be very positively testified to and lived by. Other important likenesses could be noted. Differences exist in various sections of the country. We do not attempt to mention them. They do not furthermore differentiate north and south or east and west. Some of them may be beneficial, for the life of the whole. They do not reach the heart of our life. We mention this conclusion because first of all it needs emphasis for common thanksgiving, encouragement and joy. It is stated because furthermore it helps us to know that the solution of problems in one part of the territory is never

essentially different from the solution in another part; various elements in the problems exist in different sections simply in an accentuated form; there is much likeness as to the problems on the Pacific Coast and those in New York. We record this conclusion in the third place because we believe some way ought to be found for combined Lutheran effort in some spheres of operation, even while the full integrity of separate general Lutheran bodies is preserved.

Without any attempt to enter upon less important subjects with which the Commission had to do and which in practically every instance belong particularly to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension or to the Board of Education, the following *Special Matters* are presented for consideration.

1. Educational plans of the Synod of the Northwest. In addition to visits to many points on the territory of this Synod, the Commission attended the meeting of the Synod in Grand Forks, N. D. There was free and extended conference with committees and with the Synod as a whole. The missionary problems were fully discussed. A relationship for mutual help with the adjacent and partially interlocking Manitoba Synod through an exchange of delegates and other methods was suggested and cordially approved. Intertwined with these considerations and emphasized by the missionary needs were the questions as to educational institutions. Many hopes had been entertained as to the establishment of a college in North Dakota or in Montana. Indeed definite propositions had been received and had been investigated by members of the Commissions. Finally all came to the harmonious conclusion that for the present such an effort should not be undertaken. There was common consent that in the founding of new collegiate institutions an effort should first be made for a basis of co-operation with other Lutheran bodies. (This decision is in harmony with the instructions given to the Board of Education by the Washington Convention. It will be referred to again later in this report.) It was suggested and informally approved that where young men and women cannot go to institutions of the United Lutheran Church, use should be made of such colleges as Concordia at Morehead, Minn., and St. Olaf at Northfield, Minn. (The Commission had opportunity for friendly conference with President Aasgard of Concordia in this respect.)

Meanwhile the missionary development had stirred a call for the establishment of a theological seminary also. This had reached the point of a proposition for such establishment at Minneapolis, as was advocated both in committee and before the Synod. It may be freely stated that such plans were not unrelated to the existence of an "Ad Interim" seminary at Chicago, which the Synod decided to abandon in accordance with the action of the Executive Board. (Minutes of Executive Board, May 1921). Nevertheless the missionary motive was clear. This is the one supreme motive which influenced the Commission and which the Commission urges upon the attention of the Church. Hope for co-operative endeavor with

other Lutheran bodies in theological seminaries can probably not be entertained at present. No Lutheran theological seminary exists between Minneapolis and Seattle. The missionary need and possibilities of a theological seminary have long been recognized, from various points of view. If the fundamental question asked in our first *General Conclusion* be answered affirmatively, then the need of the missionary endeavors of the Synod of the Northwest and of our Board of Home Missions as operating on its territory becomes very clear on this great stretch of large states. The Commission made its position emphatic against the establishment of a seminary at Minneapolis as being (1) unnecessary; (2) open to the clear construction of being merely a continuation of the "Ad Interim" seminary and as such objectionable to all best considerations; (3) an open affront to other general Lutheran bodies, several of which have seminaries at or near Minneapolis. The Commission stated on the positive side that it saw justification, purely from the missionary need, for such an institution not farther east than Fargo, N. D. Finally the Synod decided unanimously to proceed to the organization of a theological seminary at Fargo, N. D., or vicinity. The constitution of the Board of Education states (Article VIII, Section 1) that it has authority "to co-operate with synods in the establishment of new institutions where approved by the United Lutheran Church." The Commission recommends that in view of all conditions cited the Executive Board and the Board of Education unite in commending the new institution to the approval of the United Lutheran Church at its next convention, approving also the Commission's recommendation as to location.

2. The Pacific Coast. The Commission visited many places where missionary and educational work have been or might be established. The reach of territory covered was from San Diego to Vancouver. Many conferences were held, including important and lengthy ones with the Southern Conference of the California Synod, the Northern Conference of the California Synod, the entire Pacific Synod, the authorities of the Pacific Theological Seminary. Documents prepared with great care were presented to the Commission, including missionary and education surveys of the Southern Conference of the California Synod; the same for the Northern Conference; a statement on behalf of the California Synod concerning a theological seminary; the documentary history of the Pacific Theological Seminary; a plea from the Board of Trustees of that institution; the actions of the Pacific Synod at the meeting attended by the Commission in all matters with which the Commission was concerned. These documents are attached to this report.

(a) It was not difficult to come to complete agreement as to the missionary need for the Pacific Coast. The Commission unites with the Synods concerned in seconding the purpose of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to appoint as quickly as possible the Western Secretary contemplated in that Board's original plans. All agree that he should be

located on the Coast. The boundaries of his territory will of course be determined by the Board concerned.

The Synod of California has been urged to arrange also with the Board of Home Missions so that district missionaries shall be appointed for each of its two conferences. The Pacific Synod has adequate provisions in this respect. Both Synods have pledged themselves to the strongest local endeavor, pastors being ready to assist the district missionaries. The California Synod has also been reminded to have full regard, in accordance with the Linguistic Principles adopted at the Washington Convention, for the interests and the development of work in the German language as need requires.

Before leaving the missionary considerations, it ought to be said that the Pacific Coast, with its mixed population and its confusion of religious ideas, offers one of the best fields for working out the problem of the Lutheran Church's operation with so-called "non-Lutheran" material. This does not mean that Lutheran material is not abundant.

(b) The Commission begs to include a recommendation to the Board of Publication, that it consider the advisability of establishing a depository on the Pacific Coast, purely from the standpoint of service.

We turn to the educational considerations. We are agreed that educational provisions ought to be planned by the United Lutheran Church. In accordance with our instruction arrangements for colleges and for theological seminaries were to be studied, the latter in connection with the existence of the Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle.

(c) Whatever decisions may be reached as to the location of any institutions for the Coast, we are agreed that so far as colleges are concerned, the United Lutheran Church should not attempt the establishment thereof until the Board of Education has carried out the instructions of the Washington Convention (Minutes, p. 491) as to conference with the Educational agencies of other general Lutheran bodies concerning joint Lutheran colleges. That Board has begun its work in this respect. We believe in its application to the Pacific Coast, the Northwest, and all other sections where such plans are desirable. Conditions and sentiment on the Pacific Coast favor the plan. We refer to such conditions and sentiment among the membership of other general bodies as well as that of the United Lutheran Church. The successful operation of a joint hospital in Los Angeles gives promising hope to the plan. A proposition concerning a Norwegian college at Spokane, made several years ago, looks in this direction. It should be said, for the sake of record, that the Northern Conference of the California Synod agrees that any college for California ought rather be placed in Southern California.

(d) We come prayerfully to the matter of theological seminaries, especially the existing Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle. The question of location is included. It dare not be dealt with too briefly. Several considerations render a true solution difficult.

First of all there is a formal difficulty, involving the constitutional rights of the United Lutheran Church and of a Constituent Synod concerning educational institutions. The instructions of the Commission contemplate no transgression of a synod's rights. They call for conference of representatives of the Seminary, the Synods in the far West, the Executive Board and the Board of Education with a view to such decision of all the questions involved as may result in the enlistment of the full and hearty co-operation of all interests concerned. Report to the next convention of the United Lutheran Church is asked. Such was the nature of the conference held. The Pacific Synod had emphasized its rights before the Commission arrived in the following resolution: "That we record our unanimous conviction that the Pacific Seminary is most admirably located on its present site for the service it is to render, and that any attempt at relocation would be, in our judgment, impractical, injurious and unjust." It, nevertheless, voted also in the Commission's presence that the question of location came within the province of the conference to be held. This constitutional difficulty will be obviated if the ultimate decisions of the United Lutheran Church are adopted as commendations to the Pacific Synod and the California Synod. The Synods will unquestionably abide by such decisions, since the institution has been and will be supported by the Church as a whole in the confidence that the Synods and the institution wish to serve the Church as a whole.

The second difficulty is a physical one, which unchangeably divides the Pacific Coast into two sections. This consists of a mountainous barrier of a hundred miles and more at the northern end of California. It will never be thickly populated. Counting the whole territory concerned as reaching from the Mexican border to and including British Columbia, the centre is approximately in or just below this barrier. (The idea of including Alaska in the whole stretch of territory and thus of placing the centre far north of the barrier and in Oregon or Washington, seems to the Commission an impossible consideration as concerns a theological seminary.' Present needs certainly require not more than one seminary. Needs of even the long future cannot be positively predicted. The effort to locate one seminary for the entire territory satisfactorily becomes difficult because of the physical barrier and the total lack of Lutheran congregations anywhere near the centre. The present locality seems, however, to be unreasonably far north from the centre.

A third difficulty is presented by the proportions of Lutheran memberships in the northern and southern portions of the territory. The table of memberships we have presented shows that the United Lutheran Church itself has by far a larger membership in California than in Oregon and Washington combined. On the other hand the Lutheran membership of all bodies combined and also the general Lutheran population is in distinct degree larger in the north than in the south. This would provide a ready solution of the problem if the present need of merely the United Lutheran

Church were considered. When one considers the future from various points of view several questions arise.

A fourth difficulty is one of history and of heart, with perhaps some purpose of that Providence which rules all history and all hearts. In the days of the General Synod and the General Council the two constituent Synods had planned to establish a Seminary at Oakland or Berkeley (which is considerably nearer to the centre than is Seattle) with a pro-seminar in the north (perhaps at Seattle). We need not rehearse the circumstances which interfered with the consummation. The Pacific Synod, however, bravely struggled on with the purpose, the history showing that the California Synod maintained no consistent course in relation to the project. The latter Synod did, however, aim to keep in relationship with the seminary idea, even at this day having students there. The heart of the Pacific Synod has become by its efforts strongly interwoven with the seminary as located on its own territory. Perhaps we may not say that Providence has decided the matter. We may, however, at least say that the burden of proof rests upon any move to make a change in location.

While the Commission knows of other considerations in the matter not included in the above statement of difficulties, all appear to be of minor character. The following additional facts should, however, be known. The number of students has been very small. The property of the Seminary is distinctly a good one. We do not regard it much more than good. No building operations have as yet taken place. A removal would, therefore, involve no loss in that respect.

Reviewing all of the confused elements which enter into the problem and recognizing the unsatisfactory provision for the entire territory which one seminary far to the north provides, the Commission offers these conclusions.

a. If arrangements concerning joint Lutheran colleges can be made, we believe that a seminary should be established at Berkeley by the Synods of the United Lutheran Church, and joint colleges to the south (in the neighborhood of Los Angeles) and to the north (in the neighborhood of Seattle). Action upon this conclusion should not be regarded, however, as limiting the readiness of the United Lutheran Church to enter into freest considerations with other Lutheran bodies. In such conferences such action would enter merely as a suggestion.

b. We believe that the original decision of the Pacific and California Synods for a seminary at Berkeley and a pro-seminar or other preparatory institution at Seattle to have been one of farsighted wisdom. It would inevitably be the best decision for a new beginning to-day, leaving open every possibility for the future.

c. We believe that if all can, for the interests of the whole church, enter with readiness upon such a plan, steps leading toward the decision in *b* should be undertaken now. In that event the character of the institution to be developed at Seattle would need new consideration. For instance, we

believe the idea of a junior seminary instead of a pro-seminar deserves thought, not merely for the Pacific Coast but for the entire United Lutheran Church. Such a project need furthermore not wait upon any decisions concerning joint Lutheran Colleges.

d. In harmony with an action of the Pacific Synod, followed by decisions of the conference with the authorities of the seminary, we recommend that an advisory committee of three members be appointed by the Executive Board, the Board of Education being naturally well represented on this committee. This committee shall coöperate with the Synod and the Board of Directors of the seminary in the direction thereof during the entire period of any changes now to be made and during the period of development. Its authority shall include a veto power upon decisions reached, such veto, however, being at any time overruled by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any meeting of the body which took action. The Committee shall confer with those authorities as to the provisions of the seminary's constitution, as to important new departures in plans (including those adopted at the recent session of the Pacific Synod), as to the regular budget of the seminary, and as to any unbudgeted outlay of $500 or over. It is to receive copies of all minutes of meetings of the seminary authorities.

e. We recommend that the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension be urged to arrange so that the $5,000 indebtedness to the General Council's Church Extension Fund be cancelled.

3. *Western Canada.* The Commission rejoiced in the possibility of seeing some of the points (e. g., Edmonton and vicinity, Saskatoon, Edenvold, Winnipeg) where the Manitoba Synod is carrying on a work, largely of missionary character, which the entire Church ought to esteem very highly. Our congregations and their pastors, with magnificent loyalty to the Church and its faith, are serving amid conditions which are paralleled in few if any other parts of the Church. The Commission itself was detained a day and a half from reaching the meeting of the Synod because of difficult conditions which are but an example of frequent facts. The reception in congregations, at the educational plant in Saskatoon, and by the Synod was marked by warm fellowship. The Synod as assembled revealed itself as a strong body, thoughtful in all its conclusions, awake to all possibilities, and eager for progress. Cordial agreement was given to the idea of more intimate relationship with the Synod of the Northwest, especially for the purposes of missionary development. The life and purposes of the Church were frankly discussed. The interests of the educational institution were fully considered. Suggestions as to location thereof, teaching force, etc., were welcomed. Naturally these matters belong in ultimate decision to the Manitoba Synod and the Board of Northwestern Missions. The Commission would, however, definitely and strongly recommend that the Manitoba Synod, the Board of Education, and the Board of Northwestern Missions plan vigorously to complete the present effort for $50,000 for the needs of the Saskatoon institution. We commend it

also to the entire Church for a hearty response. Furthermore the Commission commends to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension the idea of an aggressive movement toward occupation of the cities.

With the prayer that its service may have honored our Lord and thus be of good to His Church, the Commission submits this report.

F—Actions of the Executive Board.

1. In response to the fundamental question raised by the Commission under item 1 of General Conclusions the Executive Board adopted these two resolutions:

Resolved, (1) That it is our deep and solemn conviction that in the providence of God The United Lutheran Church has a message and a mission, and therefore a duty and a responsibility that call it to endeavor, to the fullest extent of its ability and opportunity, to organize congregations wherever it may find unchurched Lutherans or unsaved and unshepherded souls, and also to establish and maintain such institutions of education and of mercy as may be found necessary for the prosecution of its work without any limitations of territory, or language, or nationality.

(2) That in all its efforts to meet this responsibility and discharge this duty The United Lutheran Church earnestly desires and will always faithfully seek to maintain the most fraternal relations with all other bodies of Lutherans and to coöperate with them in Christian love, expressing the hope and constantly striving to further that comity of all Lutheran bodies, one in faith and its expression, to the end that the day may come when all such may constitute one united Church.

2. *Special Matters;* missionary and educational interests.

Item 1. The recommendation of the Commission relative to the theological seminary at Fargo, N. D., was not acted upon until May 11, 1922. At that time the Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D.D., President of the Synod of the Northwest, appeared before the Executive Board, upon the invitation of the President, and presented the whole situation as regards the new institution, stating that the question of the removal of the Seminary from Fargo to the Twin Cities of Minnesota would be considered by the Synod of the Northwest at its meeting in June.

Thereupon the Executive Board took the following action:

Resolved, a, That we also now approve that part of the Report of the Survey Commission to the Northwest, Pacific Coast and Canada, relating to the establishing of a theological seminary, purely on the grounds of missionary necessity, not farther east than Fargo, N. D.

Resolved, b, That, inasmuch as we have found that there is a division of opinion within the Synod of the Northwest on the question of the removal of the seminary, this Board does not deem it wise to take action now concerning the proposed removal lest it might prejudice the action of the Synod.

Item 2. (a) The Commission reported plans which had been agreed to in conference concerning the missionary interests on the Pacific Coast. The Executive Board approved the arrangements and recommends the adoption of this part of the Commission's report.

(b) The Executive Board approved the recommendation of the Com-

mission that the Board of Publication consider the advisability of establishing a depository on the Pacific Coast.

(c) The judgment of the Commission that the United Lutheran Church should not attempt the establishment of a college or colleges on the Pacific Coast or in the Northwest before the Board of Education has completed its conferences with other general Lutheran bodies concerning joint Lutheran Colleges was approved.

(d) In view of the difficulties involved in the question of the location of a theological seminary for the Pacific Coast, as stated in the report, the conclusions of the Commission noted a, b, c, d, and e, were approved.

The following committee was appointed under 2 (d) of Special Matters:

Dr. E. Clarence Miller,
Dr. F. G. Gotwald,
Dr. J. H. Harms,

and the following was adopted by the Executive Board:

"Resolved, That in addition to all other conditions governing the work of the Advisory Committee appointed in accordance with the recommendation of the Survey Commission, its actions must be unanimous to be effective."

Item 3. The recommendation of the Commission was approved and officially brought to the attention of the Manitoba Synod and the Boards there named.

By the united effort of the Synod and of the cooperating Boards there had been secured to July 21, 1922, in cash and pledges the sum of $25,524.36.

3. The report was approved as a whole.

The Executive Board recommends:

(a) The consideration of its own actions here reported and in connection therewith the several parts of the report of the Commission.

(b) An expression of appreciation on the part of the United Lutheran Church of the labors of the Commission in its painstaking survey, its careful study of the facts observed and its illuminating report.

II. SYNODS

A—In General.

1. *Conference of Presidents*: Under the auspices of the Executive Board the Second Conference of Presidents of Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church was held at Harrisburg, Penna., from January 31-February 1, 1922. Thirty-four of the thirty-eight Synods were represented. The questions which engaged the Conference were such as the following: How Presidents of Synods can promote the spiritual life of the Church; the Place of the Constituent Synods in The United Lutheran Church in America; Special Problems of Pioneer Synods; Church Papers; Cooperative Relationships, etc. It was unanimously voted that the Conference be held at least once in two years.

2. In view of changes in the roll of the Synods necessitated by mergers from time to time, the Executive Board recommends that in all cases of

the merging of Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church the place of the new Synod in the roll be that of the oldest body entering into the merger.

B—In Particular.

1. *Synod of Ohio*: The Synod of Ohio of The United Lutheran Church in America was organized on November 4, 1920 at Springfield, Ohio. It was formed of the East Ohio Synod (organized Nov. 7, 1836), the Synod of Miami (organized October 16, 1844), the Wittenberg Synod (organized June 8, 1847), and the District Synod of Ohio (organized July 21, 1861). A Constitution was submitted which was found to conform in all respects to that recommended for Synods by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church.

The Executive Board recommends that the Synod of Ohio be enrolled as a Synod of The United Lutheran Church in America in place of the Synods of which it was formed and that the names of these Synods be dropped from the roll.

2. *United Synod of North Carolina*: On March 2, 1921, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina (organized May 2, 1803) and the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod (organized July 17, 1820) merged into the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina under an amended charter of the former. The United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, by resolution adopted at its Convention June 8-10, 1921, requested that it be given the place on the roll of Constituent Synods formerly held by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina. A Constitution was submitted which was found to be in harmony with the Constitution of The United Lutheran Church in America.

The Executive Board, therefore, recommends that the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina be enrolled as requested and that the names of the bodies of which it was formed be dropped from the roll.

3. *United Lutheran Synod of Virginia:* On March 17, 1922, at Roanoke, Va., there was effected a merger of Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church under the name of the United Lutheran Synod of Virginia. At a meeting of the new Synod in September, 1922, the word "United" was dropped. This Synod was formed by a merging of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Southwestern Virginia (composed of the former Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Southwestern Virginia organized September 20, 1842, and the Evangelical Lutheran Holston Synod organized January 2, 1861), with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Virginia (organized August 10, 1829). The United Lutheran Synod of Virginia has submitted a copy of its Constitution, making application for admission into the United Lutheran Church in America and requesting that it be allowed to retain the place on the roll which the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of Virginia now holds.

The Constitution of the Synod has been carefully examined and approved

and the Executive Board favorably recommends that the Synod be enrolled as requested and that the names of the Synods of which it was formed be dropped from the roll.

III. BOARDS AND ELECTIVE COMMITTEES

A.—In General.

1. *Concerning Cooperations*: See VII, B, 1.

2. *Handbook*: In the Fall of 1921 the several Boards of the Church cooperating issued, in connection with the Every Member Canvass conducted by the Laymen's Missionary Movement, a handbook entitled "Salvation, Sacrifice, Service." The Executive Board also took part in the issuance of this handbook at an expense of $214.04. A similar handbook is in course of preparation for use in the Every Member Canvass at the next Thanksgiving.

3. *Concerning Ad Interim Elections:* We recommend

(a.) The reconsideration of the action of the Washington Convention whereby the rule was adopted that ad interim elections could be effective only until the next Convention thereafter; and

(b.) The establishment now and by this action of the rule, that the ad interim election of a member of a Board shall continue effective until the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was elected, or until his membership is otherwise terminated.

(c.) That this rule shall apply to ad interim elections which have been made during the second biennium.

(d.) That hereafter all regular elections be for a term of six years according to the By-Laws (V, B, item 2), except that members of the Executive Board shall be regularly elected for a term of four years according to the Constitution. (Art. XI, Sec. 2.)

B—In Particular.

1—*Commission of Adjudication.*

a. Congregational Membership of Pastors: The question of the congregational membership of pastors, especially of those who have resigned and have not taken up work elsewhere in the Church, was brought to the attention of the Executive Board by the President and was referred by the Board to the Commission of Adjudication with the request that the Commission prepare a deliverance on this subject.

b. Vacancy filled. On nomination of the Commission of Adjudication the Rev. R. E. Tulloss, Ph.D., DD., was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. D. H. Bauslin, D.D., LL.D.

2—*Board of Foreign Missions.*

a. Amendments to Constitution: In accordance with the action of the Washington Convention the Board of Foreign Missions submitted the following resolutions;

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions in accordance with the above action submits to the Executive Board the following amendment of Art. III.

First, that Sec. 2 now reading "The members of this Board shall be communicant members in congregations in full synodical relations with the United Lutheran Church in America" be amended by the addition of the following clause, viz., "except as provided in Sec. 3 hereof."

Second, that Sec. 3 now reading, 'Representatives of other Lutheran Bodies cooperating in the work may, by resolution of the United Lutheran Church in America, be admitted to advisory membership" be stricken out and the following section be substituted viz.—

Sec. 3. Other Lutheran Bodies, may with the approval of the United Lutheran Church co-operate with the Board, and may appoint representatives to meet with it as advisory members; and such representatives may be elected in the regular manner to full membership in the Board; provided, however, that the whole number of such members shall not exceed three and provided also that their elections shall in no wise, now or hereafter, entitle their respective bodies to any claim upon the property, real or personal, held by or in the name of the Board.

Resolved, That upon the approval of the above amendments by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church they shall without further action become a part of the Constitution.

The Executive Board finding the amendment in harmony with the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church and with the action taken at Washington, gave its approval to the amendments of Article III of the Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions and recommends that the Article as amended be approved by the United Lutheran Church as a part of the Constitution of said Board.

b. Permission was given to the Board of Foreign Missions to establish a fund in memory of the late Dr. Charles L. Brown by appealing to the Sunday Schools to make contributions toward such fund.

c. The Board of Foreign Missions adopted a recommendation of its India Mission Committee relating to the establishment of a United Christian College in the Telugu area. The recommendation included a plan for such a college submitted by a joint committee of representatives of our India Mission and of the Church Missionary Society's Mission in India, together with a Commission of the latter Society touring in India. The essential features of the plan may be summarized as follows:

(1) The establishment of a strong United Mission College in the Telugu area.

(2) That all of the Telugu Missions be invited to co-operate in the immediate strengthening of Noble College, at Masulipatam, and in making it temporarily a United College, each mission being requested to send a man to serve on the staff. This is the only First-grade Mission College in the Telugu area and is offered by the Church Missionary Society with its buildings and equipment for the purposes of a United College.

(3) The College Council of Noble College is to be enlarged and constituted as follows: The Church Missionary Society four representatives; two Christians from the staff; one representative from each Mission contrib-

uting at least Rs. 4500—these members having power to co-opt two others.

(4) To keep pace with educational developments in India, there will be submitted to the Missions a larger scheme, either for the reorganization of the College at Masulipatam on a permanent basis, or for the establishment of a new institution more advantageously located. This will be an entirely new proposition.

Under this temporary scheme the Church Missionary Society proposed to make the Rev. J. Roy Strock, one of our Missionaries in India, Principal of the United Christian College at Masulipatam.

The Board of Foreign Missions having approved this temporary plan and the proposed appointment of the Rev. J. Roy Strock as Principal, asked the sanction of the Executive Board pending final approval by the United Lutheran Church.

The Executive Board took the following action:

(1) That although unconvinced, we yield to the informed opinion of our Foreign Mission Board and Missionaries in India, granting the request made.

(2) That it is understood absolutely that this is merely a temporary arrangement until the Convention of the United Lutheran Church.

(3) That the Missionaries be informed by the Foreign Mission Board that all co-operations must be based upon the principles outlined in the Washington Declaration, D. III and IV.

(4) That we ask the question why, since our Mission possesses an Institution of Learning, only one representative from our Mission is to be upon the College Council, whereas four are to be appointed by the Church Missionary Society.

d. Vacancy filled. On nomination of the Board Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D., of the Augustana Synod, was elected ad interim to fill a vacancy in this Board.

3—*Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.*

On nomination of the Board the following ad interim elections were made to fill vacancies: Mr. C. J. Driever, Rev. J. M. Bramkamp, D.D., and Dr. G. E. Holtzapple.

The matter of financial adjustment between the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension and the Northwestern Mission Board, in view of the transfer of certain missions from the former of these Boards to the latter, has been satisfactorily concluded.

4—*Northwestern Mission Board.*

a. The Northwestern Mission Board having inserted in its Constitution the clause concerning literature as required, the Constitution of this Board has been approved.

b. Vacancies filled. On nomination of the Board the following ad interim elections were made: Rev. G. H. Michelmann, Mr. E. A. Muncke, Rev. H. Rembe, Sr. and Mr. H. Muegge.

5—*Immigrants Mission Board.*

a. This Board amended its Constitution by the insertion in Article VIII

of the words "under direction of the Executive Board and the United Lutheran Church, it shall have authority to publish necessary literature, etc.," and accordingly the Constitution was approved.

b. The transfer of responsibility for all immigrant and emigrant work of the United Lutheran Church from the Board of Inner Mission to that of Immigrant Missions was approved conditionally.

c. Vacancies filled. On nomination of the Board the Rev. E. W. Simon, D.D., and Mr. Frank L. Fox were elected to fill vacancies occurring in that Board.

6—*West Indies Mission Board.*

a. The West Indies Mission Board asked approval by the Executive Board of the following substitute for Article III Section 4 of its Constitution:

Other Lutheran Bodies may, with the approval of the United Lutheran Church in America co-operate with the Board, and may appoint representatives to meet with it as advisory members, and such representatives may be elected in the regular manner to full membership in the Board, provided however, that the whole number of such members shall not exceed three, and provided also that their election shall in no wise, now or hereafter, entitle their respective bodies to any claim upon the property, real or personal, held by or in the name of the Board.

As it now stands Article III, Section 4, reads:

Representatives of other Lutheran Bodies co-operating in the work, may by resolution of the United Lutheran Church in America be admitted to advisory membership.

Inasmuch as this request was in harmony with the action of the Washington Convention concerning a similar amendment to the Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Executive Board answered that it would recommend to the United Lutheran Church the approval of the substitution asked for provided that the West Indies Mission Board would insert the words "by the United Lutheran Church" after the words "may be elected" and before the words "in the regular manner." The West Indies Board has adopted the suggestion of the Executive Board and the amended form of Article III, Section 4 of the Constitution of that Board is hereby submitted for your ratification in substitution for Article III, Section 4 as it now stands.

b. Vacancies filled. On nomination of this Board the Rev. F. H. Bosch, Mr. Clifford A. Rockwell and the Rev. A. J. Holl were elected.

7—*Board of Education.*

On nomination of this Board Glenn M. Cummings, Esq., was elected.

8—*Inner Mission Board.*

On nomination of this Board the Rev. H. Brueckner and the Hon. C. N. Hoover were elected.

9—*Board of Publication.*

a. On request of the Executive Board the Board of Publication made an appropriation to cover the expenses of the Statistical Secretary of the

United Lutheran Church and of Statistical Blanks for the use of the Synods.

b. Vacancies filled. On nomination of this Board the Rev. A. H. Holthusen and Mr. Daniel Yost were elected.

10—*Board of Ministerial Relief.*

a. A resolution of the Board of Ministerial Relief, expressing the conviction that it would be unwise to admit to the benefits of its pension fund unordained college professors and teachers in Church Institutions, having been submitted, the Executive Board passed a resolution concurring in the judgment of the Board of Ministerial Relief.

b. The Constitution of this Board has been approved.

c. Vacancies filled. On nomination of this Board, Messrs. T. B. Stork, H. J. Querns and W. Schneider, and the Rev. M. L. Sweizig were elected.

11—*Parish and Church School Board.*

a. The Executive Board approved the publication by the Parish and Church School Board of a magazine under the title "Parish and Church School."

b. This Board submitted to the Executive Board the question of the preparation of an official English text of Luther's Small Catechism. The matter was thereupon referred to the Common Service Book Committee in consultation with the Parish and Church School Board.

c. A Standard for Sunday Schools was recommended by this Board and tentatively approved by the Executive Board.

12—*Board of Deaconess Work.*

On nomination of this Board the Rev. J. L. Hoffman was elected.

13—*Executive Committee of Laymen's Missionary Movement.*

The Every Member Canvass has been conducted annually by this agency and it has made arrangements for an Every Member Canvass in November of this year. The Laymen's Missionary Movement has also shown its readiness to co-operate with the Executive Board in the establishment of the Department of Stewardship and Benevolence.

The Executive Board recommends that the United Lutheran Church express its appreciation of the faithful and helpful service rendered by this committee of earnest laymen.

14—*Committee on Jewish Missions.*

On nomination of the Board the Rev. A. E. Bell was elected in place of Rev. F. C. Oberly deceased.

C—Standing Committees.

1—*Statistical and Church Year Book Committee.*

By action of the Executive Board the Secretary of that body was made a member ex-officio of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee and to him was referred the fixing of the duties of the Statistical Secretary. After consultation with the Rev. Dr. Burgess, Chairman of the

Statistical and Church Year Book Committee, the duties of the Statistical Secretary were formulated as follows:

(1) To have general charge of gathering and tabulating statistics, and for this purpose to conduct all necessary correspondence with Synodical Statisticians, Boards, Committees, Societies, Institutions, etc.

(2) To furnish to the Lutheran Church Year Book such statistical matter as may be requested for the same, including (a) latest available statistical summaries of all the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America with totals; (b) statistics of all institutions of the United Lutheran Church, both educational and charitable, properly classified; (c) and such other statistical summaries as may be desired; (a) and (c) to be submitted not later than November 1, and (b) not later than September 1 of each year.

(3) To gather, tabulate and submit to the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America, not later than September 1 of each regular Convention Year, statistical matter for the Minutes of the United Lutheran Church.

The Rev. George L. Kieffer was elected to the office of Statistical Secretary at a salary of $500 per annum, which has been paid by the Board of Publication. The Rev. Mr. Kieffer has faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties of his office. The completeness of his tables tells a tale of patience and persistence.

2—*Common Service Book Committee.*

An invitation to take part in the preparation of an Intersynodical English Lutheran Hymnal was referred to this Committee for an opinion. The Committee will report at this Convention. The Executive Board approved the opinion of the Common Service Book Committee and appointed the officers of the committee to communicate their action in person to those concerned in the preparation of the proposed Hymnal.

3—*Committee on Work Among Boys.*

The Executive Board did not find it possible to comply with the recommendations of this committee concerning the employment of a paid Secretary and the appropriation of $1,000 per annum for the use of the committee.

The Executive Board upon request of this committee authorized the publication and distribution of pamphlets setting forth the principles and methods of Summer Camps and Boys' Conferences to Synodical Committees on Boys' Work and such interested persons as may apply, the expense not to exceed $100.

The sphere and duties of the Committee on Work Among Boys have been defined as follows by the Executive Board:

(a) That it shall be the duty of this committee to inform itself about books and other literature suitable for boys to read and for the guidance of parents and others in the rearing of boys, to encourage the preparation of such literature and to give publicity to the same.

(b) That it shall also be the duty of this Committee to study the various organizations for boys, their principles and aims; also to ascertain the value of the different organizations as developed in connection with congregations, and to advise those seeking information in regard to such organizations.

(c) That this Committee shall suggest to other agencies activities desirable for the welfare of boys.

(d) That this Committee shall have authority to develop through Synods Boys' Conferences and Summer Camps.

4—*Committee on Publicity.*

An appropriation of $500 was made for the use of this Committee for publicity work in connection with this Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

5—*Committee on Transportation.*

The Committee on Transportation, of which Mr. Harvey C. Miller is Chairman and the Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, D.D., Secretary, secured concessions from the several passenger associations by which delegates and others attending this Convention may, under conditions which have been published, purchase tickets on their return trip at one-half of the regular tariff.

IV. CO-ORDINATIONS

Questions having arisen as to the spheres and functions of certain agencies of the Church in relation to other agencies, the Executive Board, after consultation of its Committee on Boards and Committees with representatives of the agencies concerned, took action with a view to removing confusion and overlapping of the operations of the several agencies.

1—*Inner Mission Board* and *Committee on Moral and Social Welfare.*

With reference to these agencies the following conclusions were adopted:

(a) That the function of the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare is limited to the preparation of literature and is not executive.

(b) The recognition of the fact that the work of the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare belongs to the general category of Inner Mission activities.

(c) That these two agencies should arrange for mutual representation at their respective meetings.

2—*Parish and Church School Board* and *Boys' Work Committee.*

The preparation of a course of study for week-day religious instruction was definitely committed by the Washington Convention to the Parish and Church School Board and it was found that the work of preparing such a course of study was in process. The Committee on Work Among Boys had prepared an Outline for the Guidance of Pastors and others, as well as other material to which reference was made in its report to the Wash-

ington Convention. In regard to this matter the following was agreed to by these agencies and adopted by the Executive Board:

"That if in preparation of the proposed course of study for week-day religious instruction, the Parish and Church School Board should wish to use any of the material prepared in the last biennium by the Committee on Work for Boys and referred to in its report to the Washington Convention, it will be done in consultation with that Committee."

3—*Luther League, Women's Missionary Society* and *Parish and Church School Board.*

The agencies chiefly concerned in the work among the young people of the Church are those here named. At a conference of representatives of these agencies held under the auspices of the Executive Board's Committee on Survey and Co-ordination, the following arrangement was agreed to and afterwards approved by the Executive Board:

(1) A committee of six, two of whom shall be appointed by the Luther League of America, two by the Women's Missionary Society and two by the Parish and Church School Board, shall be constituted, and this committee shall plan a fully rounded program for the children of the Church.

(2) The organization name for children under fourteen years of age shall be the Light Brigade, and the responsibility for calling and salarying a Superintendent for the Light Brigade, and also for the printing and distributing of programs and literature for the Light Brigade, under the supervision of the Committee of Six provided for above, shall be placed with the Women's Missionary Society and the gifts made by the Light Brigade shall go into the treasury of the Women's Missionary Society.

(3) At the age of fourteen the boys and girls shall be promoted to the Luther League, and the Committee of Six shall submit to the Luther League suggestions for a continuation program.

The Luther League at York rejected this agreement and the matter has been referred by the Executive Board to the Committee on Survey and Coordination.

4—*A New Study of the Spheres of the Several Boards Proposed.*

An appeal came to the Executive Board from the West Indies Mission Board asking for a statement as to its sphere of operations. As it was evident that the Board of Foreign Missions would be concerned, the officers of the Executive Board were instructed to meet with representatives of these two Mission Boards for a conference. When this had been done without any final conclusion the two Boards themselves held a further conference and adopted the following resolution:

"After prayerful, patient and harmonious consideration of the problems confronting these two Boards, in view of the importance of the larger interests of the whole Church revealed by this discussion, be it resolved that this joint committee record as its deliberate judgment that the questions of the spheres of the activities of these two Boards cannot be properly determined until the United Lutheran Church has given further consideration

to the question of the re-allocation of the work at present assigned to its various Boards."

The Executive Board thereupon took the following action, which is submitted for your approval:

Resolved, 1, That we instruct our Committee on Boards and Committees to begin the study of this question of the determination of the spheres of operation of the Boards.

Resolved, 2, That in order to facilitate their work, we ask the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in Buffalo to instruct all Boards to give their fullest co-operation.

V. NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

1—*Lutheran World Convention.*

The Executive Board, having learned that a Committee had been appointed by the National Lutheran Council to plan for a Lutheran World Convention, in harmony with action of the Washington Convention (Min., p. 442), authorized and instructed its officers to confer with the said committee with a view to participation of the United Lutheran Church in such Lutheran World Convention.

2—*European Relief.*

Early in 1921 the National Lutheran Council decided that, in view of the needs presented in the report of the commissioners representing it in its work of relief in Europe, the sum of $1,250,000 represented the minimum that should be asked for and raised by the Churches co-operating in the Council during the year 1921. Acting in accordance with a resolution previously adopted, the Executive Committee of the National Lutheran Council laid its plans before this Executive Board and asked the co-operation of the United Lutheran Church in the effort to raise the needed fund between the 15th and 31st of October, 1921. In response the Executive Board took action approving the continuation of the European Relief and Reconstruction Work and commended the appeal to our people.

3—*Amendment of Regulation.*

The following amendment to the Regulations of the National Lutheran Council was submitted to the Executive Board and approved by it:

In accordance with the resolution of the annual meeting of the Council, the following is submitted to take the place of Paragraph 1 of Article IX of the Regulations governing the National Lutheran Council:

"The annual meeting of the Council for the election of Officers and the transaction of other business, shall be held at the principal office of the Council, or at such other place as may be previously designated by the Council, on the third Thursday in January of each year. At such meetings the Officers shall present full reports of the business and activities of the Council for the preceding year.

"Article XIV of our Regulations provides that the Articles may be amended by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the members of the Council and an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the Executive Officers of the co-operating Bodies, provided at least sixty days' notice of

the proposed amendment be given by mail or otherwise, including a copy of the proposed amendment, to each member."

4—*Asks Place on Budget.*

The National Lutheran Council, having adopted certain resolutions specifically defining its work, requested that it be accepted on the budget of the United Lutheran Church for the support of its "Regular Work" and also that it be permitted to appeal to the churches for $850,000 for the prosecution of its "Emergency Work" still in hand. The Executive Board adopted the following resolutions and submits them for your consideration:

First, That the Executive Board approves the resolutions of the National Lutheran Council.

Second, That we approve the recommendation to the United Lutheran Church that, for the Regular Work of the National Lutheran Council as an agency, it be placed on the budget of the Church.

Third, That we approve of the appeal and that it be left in the hands of our Commissioners as to the amount and time.

VI. RELATIONS WITH LUTHERAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE

A communication from the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hungary concerning relationship with the United Lutheran Church in America was referred by the Washington Convention to the Executive Board with authority to act as further conference should reveal to be desirable.

The following agreement was submitted to the Executive Board and the President of the United Lutheran Church was authorized to sign it as here appears:

Agreement between the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hungary, party of the first part, and The United Lutheran Church in America, party of the second part, the former being represented by the Right Reverend Bishop Alex. Raffay, D.D., the latter by the Rev. Prof. John Alfred Morehead, D.D., Chairman of the European Commission of the National Lutheran Council of America, prepared through Conferences in the months of June and September, 1920.

Inasmuch as the United Lutheran Church of Hungary and the United Lutheran Church in America have attained unity of faith through the common acceptance of the Holy Scriptures and the historic confessions of the Lutheran Church, serving and preaching the same gospel of Christ for the glory of God and the advancement of His Kingdom, they do agree to co-operate in brotherly love for the accomplishment of the following purposes:

(1) Each body will observe with warm interest the plans and work of the other and, to forward this end, approves the exchange of official representatives as frequently as practicable.

(2) The Church of each country will accept for the service of its

congregations regular pastors from the other, under the usual regulations for receiving them in the Synods or districts concerned, if they are provided with satisfactory letters of recommendation from the proper authority of the body from which they come.

(3) In estimating the amount of pension or stipend to which a pastor is entitled, the years of service devoted to the regular ministry of the Gospel in the related bodies of both Hungary and America shall be included. Should a Pension Association or Pastors' Fund Society find the admittance of a new member a burden because of the extent of his previous service, it is understood that reasonable special financial compensation shall be made by that body in which the greatest term of service has been rendered.

(4) The contracting Church of each country shall recognize the validity of the diplomas of the Seminaries of the other in the same sense as that of the diplomas of its own Schools of Theology.

(5) The Seminaries of the Church of each country may fix the minimum of semesters during which students must attend its own institutions for graduation. Except this limitation, students shall receive equal credit for work done in the Seminaries of both Churches.

(6) In the interest of the uninterrupted care of souls and the conservation of the material of the Church, these contracting bodies of both countries shall adopt measures for the systematic preparation of statistics of emigration and immigration. Information thus secured shall be promptly exchanged for the mutual aid of the two parties concerned.

In the Name of the United Lutheran Church in America,
F. H. Knubel, President.

In the Name of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hungary,
Alex. Raffay, Bishop.

VII. EXTERNAL RELATIONS

A—Other Lutheran Bodies in America.

Official Visitors—In 1921 official visitors were appointed to other Lutheran Church Bodies as follows: Rev. F. F. Fry, D.D., to the Augustana Synod; the Rev. Holmes Dysinger, D.D., LL.D., to the United Danish Lutheran Church; the Rev. F. E. Jensen to the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church (Suomi Synod) and to the Evangelical Finnish National Lutheran Church. These visitors all reported that they bore the greetings of the United Lutheran Church in person to the bodies to which they were severally appointed and that they were received with the greatest cordiality.

Dr. Fry reported that of $400,000 for Augustana College and Theological Seminary, $322,600 was already in hand in cash and pledges at the time of the Convention, June 8-10, 1921. He reported also adoption of a resolution by the Augustana Synod that all reports should be handed in both in English and in Swedish.

Dr. Dysinger reported that the United Danish Lutheran Church celebrated at its meeting, May 28-29, 1921, the quarto-centennial of the Synod's organization. There were large numbers in attendance both of ministers and laity and great interest and enthusiasm were evident throughout the sessions of the Convention. He notes that with a communicant membership of less than 30,000 the United Danish Lutheran Church secured in cash and subscriptions $423,000 and would probably make it more than half a million. Besides this, in a little more than a year, they had raised $117,000 as a Pension Fund for their aged and retired ministers.

The Rev. Mr. Jensen makes mention of the presence of the Rt. Rev. J. Rudolph Koskimies, Bishop of Oulu, Finland, throughout the sessions of the Suomi Synod. The Synod has a total adult membership of 18,228. It took over at this meeting, June 2-3, 1921, the Seamen's Mission of New York, formerly conducted by the Finland Seamen's Mission Society. He gives the total adult membership of the Finnish Evangelical National Lutheran Church as 4,376. Of this body he says: "Its spirit is very strongly evangelistic as against the more conservative spirit of the Suomi Synod."

In 1922 the Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, D.D., was appointed as official visitor to the Augustana Synod, which met at St. Paul, Minn., June 15. Dr. Scherer reported that he presented the greetings of the United Lutheran Church, to which the President responded in terms of utmost cordiality, assuring him that as requested there would be present at the Convention of the United Lutheran Church at Buffalo an authorized representative of the Augustana Synod.

Dr. Scherer also visited the Convention of the Norwegian Lutheran Church, which was in session at Minneapolis at the same time. His presence was recognized and he was invited by action of the body to address the Convention, which he did, conveying the greetings of the United Lutheran Church and receiving a cordial response from the President of the Norwegian body.

B—Interdenominational Agencies and Organizations.

Relations with Interdenominational Agencies.

1. At a conference attended by representatives of the Executive Board, the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, the West Indies Mission Board and the Women's Missionary Society, the subject of relations of agencies of the United Lutheran Church in America with the so-called interdenominational or interboard organizations, such as the Foreign Missions Conference, Home Missions Council, etc., was thoroughly discussed. The following conclusions, definitions and advices were agreed upon and reported to the Executive Board and received its approval:

(1) In accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of the United

Lutheran Church in America no such relationships can be established excepting as authorized by the Church.

(2) Attention is also called to the resolutions on page 455 of the Minutes of the Washington Convention, as follows: They refer to the Declaration concerning the Church and Its External Relationships.

That all officers, Boards, Committees and other agencies of the Church be instructed to govern their policies and actions by the principles here adopted.

The entire matter of Relationships on the basis of the Principles here adopted was referred to the Executive Board, with power.

(3) The approval given to the Home and Foreign Mission Boards, the Board of Education, the Parish and Church School Board and the Women's Missionary Society by the United Lutheran Church applies only to the parallel agencies, commonly called interboard bodies, and not to other organizations (such as the Federal Council of the Churches, with its Commissions.)

(4) The Boards of Northwestern Missions and Immigrants' Missions and the Jewish Mission Committee should be granted tentative permission to enter into the Home Missions Council, and the West Indies Mission Board to enter either the Foreign Missions Conference or the Home Missions Council, if such desire be expressed to the Executive Board by the Boards and Committee mentioned.

(5) All representatives of agencies of the United Lutheran Church are urged to do their utmost so that the representative principle be strongly maintained in all co-operative organizations. This applies to the tendency at present in such organizations themselves to add to the representatives of denominations increasing numbers of individuals, under various designations as members (co-opted, at large, corresponding, advisory, affiliated, etc.) and with varying powers.

(6) In order to preserve the membership of our Church and especially our children and young people from the evil influences of literature which is either unwholesome or not fairly representative of the Lutheran Church, our Boards and the Women's Missionary Society are urged to give strict attention that no literature be published or distributed by them or their representatives as carrying their commendation to the United Lutheran Church unless it has been reviewed by their official representatives and sanctioned by them both as to its soundness of teaching and its fairness toward the history and work of the Lutheran Church. Also, our pastors are cautioned against the use, in schools, societies and study classes, of literature which is not sound and just to the Lutheran Church.

(7) Most prayerful thought is to be given before any plans are undertaken for co-operations on foreign fields along educational lines. In this connection all realized that in medical education such plans are approvable. In other avenues it was agreed that favorable attention by the United Lutheran Church could be based only upon considerations which reveal

a wide difference between the situation on the foreign field and that on the home field.

The conclusions were communicated to the various Boards and agencies of the United Lutheran Church with the request that copies be furnished by them to their appointed representatives and to the Foreign Missionaries and with the recommendation that they be urged to appreciate that all co-operative work is naturally a very minor element in our work as a Church, because of the principles for co-operation included in the Washington Declaration.

These conclusions, definitions and advices are submitted with the recommendation that they be approved by the United Lutheran Church.

2. At a conference of the officers of the United Lutheran Church and a specially appointed committee of the Parish and Church School Board, composed of Rev. C. P. Wiles, D.D.; Rev. S. W. Herman, D.D., and the Rev. W. L. Hunton, D.D., Ph.D., the following principles governing relationships of the Parish and Church School Board to other bodies were agreed to and were approved by the Executive Board:

(a) Under the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Lutheran Church in America, no Relationships can be established except as they are authorized by the Church; and the officers of this Board are to govern themselves accordingly.

(b) It is fully understood that Relationships may only be established after approval and that such Relationships are to be limited to parallel agencies and are not to include general organizations or commissions.

(c) In any Relationships established the representatives of the Parish and Church School Board are to understand that the representative principle be maintained in co-operative organizations and that co-operation on the part of the Parish and Church School Board shall depend upon the maintenance of this representative principle.

(d) The Parish and Church School Board is to carefully scrutinize literature from outside sources and fully approves the policy that nothing shall be sent out for the use of the schools of the Church which has not been examined, edited and approved by its own Editors.

(e) Before establishing representation in the newly organized Sunday School Council of Religious Education, the new Constitution of that organization shall be examined and approved, especially with respect to its spirit and method of representation.

(f) It is recommended that our Lutheran Sunday School work in the States be organized.

It is imperative that the Parish and Church School Board should develop Lutheran Synodical and Conference Associations.

In local fields provision should be made, through the Conferences or other organizations of Synods, for Lutheran Sunday School Institutes, Conventions, etc. Our pastors and teachers should carefully guard against the introduction into our work of teachings and practices at variance with our Lutheran principles, coming all too frequently through the avenues of local interdenominational S. S. Associations.

(g) We recognize the great value and urgent need of Week-Day Religious Instruction and urge our congregations to establish their own Week-

Day Schools for Religious Instruction. In the establishment of these schools while co-operation with others in making arrangements may be desirable, the Lutheran Church desires to reserve to herself the actual instruction of her own children.

(h) In the interests of a clearer understanding, the Parish and Church School Board is charged with the responsibility of examining fully into the organization of the World Sunday School Association and to confer with the Foreign Mission Board and the Women's Missionary Society in regard to Relationships in the Foreign Mission Fields.

(i) In order to prevent confusion and insure the uniformity and efficiency of local training schools for teachers and workers the Parish and Church School Board will aim to confer with the Deaconess Board and the Inner Mission Board in order that definite agreement may be reached as to the agency which will be responsible both for the promotion of such schools and for the preparation of standard curricula.

3—*Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.*

The Committee of Visitors appointed in accordance with the resolution of the United Lutheran Church, consisting of Drs. G. U. Wenner, M. G. G. Scherer, S. W. Herman and E. F. Keever, attended the Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at Boston, December 6-8, 1920. By request of the Executive Board President Knubel also attended that meeting. The committee reported their conclusions and recommendations to the Executive Board to which the matter of relations with the Federal Council had been referred by the United Lutheran Church. Thereupon a larger committee was constituted consisting of the members of the Committee of Visitors, President Knubel, Drs. H. A. Weller and J. A. Clutz and Dr. E. Clarence Miller, to confer further with the authorities of the Federal Council. This committee of which President Knubel was made Chairman, held a meeting with representatives of the Federal Council, laid before them certain difficulties which seemed to preclude membership of the United Lutheran Church in the Council, and asked whether a consultative relationship might not be established. The representatives of the Federal Council having expressed a readiness to take up this question for further consideration, the Committee of Conference appointed Drs. Knubel, Wenner and Scherer to conduct further negotiations. Report was made to the Executive Board at its meeting May 12, 1921.

A statement in regard to relations with the Federal Council was prepared and submitted to the Executive Board at its meeting September 13, 14, 1921, and certain portions of the statement were then adopted. The remaining portions in amended form were adopted by unanimous vote of the Executive Board, May 11, 1922. The complete statement is given below at A.

In the meantime the Committee on Relations with the Federal Council reported a Proposal for Relations between the United Lutheran Church and the Federal Council of the Church of Christ in America. This proposal was approved and is also appended at B.

At the meeting of the Executive Board, February 9, 1922, the President reported that the Executive Committee of the Federal Council had approved

and adopted the specific stipulations and suggestions contained in the proposal, and the Executive Board authorized the Treasurer to comply with the eighth item of the proposal.

A—Statement in Regard to Relations With the Federal Council of Churches.

It is felt that, for the information of the Church, some statement should issue from the Executive Board setting forth the reasons for the decision reached in regard to relations with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. A little reflection will make it obvious why such a statement is desirable; and the Board believes that it will be welcomed.

I—Necessity of Determining the Relation.

The question of the relation of the United Lutheran Church to the Federal Council was received as an inheritance along with one of the general bodies that entered into the merger and the matter was referred to the Executive Board at the Merger Convention.[1] But even if there had been no merger there is good reason to believe that this question would have had to be considered by each of the three bodies. In view of the enlarged program of the Federal Council adopted at Boston in December, 1920, which is officially declared to be a "significant advance step" from a constitutional point of view,[2] the General Synod would probably have had to consider whether it would remain in the Federal Council or not. Because of the recent sweeping movement in favor of Church union, in one form or another, the General Council and the United Synod would almost certainly have had to consider whether they could stay out of the Federal Council. Therefore the question has been, to a very large extent, lifted out of the sphere of any one of the former bodies and made a question for the United Lutheran Church to decide upon its own merits; and in that light chiefly it has been viewed.

II—How the Executive Board Has Dealt With the Problem.

The Executive Board promptly took up the problem which had been referred to it and, at its meeting on March 27, 1919, appointed Drs. F. H. Knubel, G. U. Wenner and E. F. Krauss a committee to attend the meeting of the Federal Council with power to act. This committee was present at the special meeting of that body at Cleveland, Ohio, May 6-8, 1919. In its report to the Executive Board[3], the committee says that in an interview with the President of the Federal Council they had stated to him in detail two difficulties which confront us as Lutherans. "One is the tendency, sometimes heard in public speeches of men prominent in the activities of the Council, to emphasize the organization as a manifestation of Christian unity. If such a tendency were to prevail, it would render impossible

[1] See Minutes of the United Lutheran Church, 1918, p. 86.
[2] See F. C. Bulletin, January, 1921, p. 6.
[3] See Minutes, July 8, 1919.

our membership. We believe in upholding our denominational integrity until Christian unity can come on the basis of common faith. This also prevents the possibility for us of entering into many attempts at local federated effort, at union churches, at so-called "liberty" churches, at restriction of parish boundaries, etc. The second tendency is the one which confuses the spheres of Church and State, and which tends to make the Church as a Church an organized power for bettering evil conditions through legislation."

The committee made no definite recommendations, and the report went on file without action.

The second step was the appointment of a Committee of Visitors to the Quadrennial Meeting of the Federal Council held at Boston, December 1-6, 1920. This committee was appointed in accordance with a resolution of the United Lutheran Church,[1] and consisted of Drs. G. U. Wenner, M. G. G. Scherer, S. W. Herman and E. F. Keever. The committee, in reporting to the Executive Board,[2] gave a comprehensive review of the Constitutional arrangements of the Federal Council directed attention to the elaborate machinery of the organization, to the studied disregard of doctrinal differences, to the enlarged program approved at Boston and to various other pertinent phases of the question, concluding thus: "Your committee has come to the judgment that the United Lutheran Church can be true to its own principles, as set forth in the Declaration so heartily adopted at the Washington Convention, only by maintaining its "separate identity as a witness to the truth which it knows" until God opens the way to a "genuine organic union"[3] with others. We believe also that in this way the United Lutheran Church can, in the far view, the better fulfil its own divinely given service in "the holy Catholic Church, and thus best make answer to its Divine Lord."

The committee recommended, however, that, before final action be taken, an enlarged committee be authorized to confer with the authorities of the Federal Council to ascertain whether it might be possible in any way to effect relations with the Council. The report was received as information and placed on file; the recommendation was approved, however, and to the Committee of Visitors were added the President, Drs. J. A. Clutz and H. A. Weller and Mr. E. Clarence Miller.

This enlarged committee continued the study of the problems, devoting much attention to the official acts and publications of the Council. The committee held a meeting April 20, 1921, and spent a half day studying the question together. All the members were present excepting Drs. Herman and Weller; in place of the latter was Dr. W. D. C. Keiter. The next day the committee met with the representatives of the Federal Council and discussed the problem of relationships with them for several hours. The committee was practically agreed that they could not recommend that the

[1] See Minutes of Second Convention, p. 489.
[2] See Minutes of Ex. Board, February 10, 1921.
[3] See Declaration of Principles, etc., C. III and V, and the whole of D.

United Lutheran Church become a constituent member of the Federal Council; but arranged, with the approval of the Executive Board,[1] for a further consideration of the following question: "Whether there might be established a consultative relation which would give a voice but no vote, thus securing to the Church in such relation entire autonomy, from beginning to end, in regard to decisions and actions affecting itself, and at the same time the privilege of co-operating in any specific tasks or problems of common interest to all the Churches, as might be determined by such Church or its duly appointed representatives."

Thus it will be seen that the Executive Board has acted very deliberately in this matter, and has reached its decision through an exhaustive study of the question in all of its phases. And it is of sufficient significance to note, that, with an ever changing committee, the reports upon which the Board has based its decision have consistently indicated one and the same course of action.

III—The Decision of the Executive Board.

After prolonged study of the question and close observation of signs and tendencies, the Executive Board has reached the judgment that the United Lutheran Church in America should not enter into corporate relations with, or become a member of, the Federal Council.

IV—Reasons for the Decision.

The reasons for such decision are the following:

First, That we miss in the Constitution of the Federal Council, and likewise in recent utterances of representatives of the principal Churches co-operating in the Council, any definite recognition of the necessity or importance of unity in faith and its confession as a condition of relationships of co-operation in such a federal union as the Federal Council.

Nature of the Federal Council—This at once raises the question of the nature of the Federal Council, which we must explain at some length for the information of the Church.

That it is a union of Churches no one will deny. The first item of the Plan of Federation as given in the Constitution reads thus: "For the prosecution of work that can be better done in union than in separation a Council is hereby established whose name shall be the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America." The words "in union than in separation," bear but one interpretation; and that is that the Federal Council conceives of itself as a union.

When we ask what kind of union it is, the answer must be that it is a federal union. The committee on the War and Religious Outlook,[2] which

[1] See Minutes Ex. Board, May 12, 1921, p. 61.

[2] The book quoted was prepared by a special sub-committee of twenty, representing the Federal Council and practically all of the larger Protestant denominations of the country. The manuscripts of the several chapters were "submitted to the whole committee for discussion, criticism and suggestions." The volume, therefore, is not merely a symposium but a product of a collective study. (See p. IX.) When we quote it, therefore, we are giving the deliberate and combined judgment of many learned and distinguished men.

was constituted by the joint action of the Federal Council and the General War Time Commission of the Churches, says in the volume on Christian Unity, Its Principles and Possibilities,[1] "By Federal Union we have understood any form of official union between denominations as a whole which leaves their original organization unimpaired and reserves for each of the units thus united a large field of independent power, authority and initiative. The best known example is the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America." According to these authorities the Federal Council is a federal union. It is an "official union between denominations as a whole." It is not claimed that there is reserved for each of the uniting bodies all of the power, authority, and initiative that it possessed before, but only "a large field of independent power, etc." The uniting bodies delegate something to the federated body, either power undefined or powers definitely prescribed. In this case, as we shall see, they are undefined.

What, now is the difference between a federal union and an organic union? It is not that the one is an organized body and the other not; neither is it that the one is a legal entity while the other is not. Either of them may be corporate in both senses, as is the Federal Council of Churches. It is an official body very completely organized for work, and it is incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia.

The authorities quoted above say: "It is the rentention of the individuality of the uniting Churches unimpaired[2] which differentiates federal union from other forms of corporate union. Even if the constituent bodies in a federal union delegate their powers to a central agency, they are able to resume them at any time. But organic union carries with it a note of irrevocableness, such as exists in the relation of the several states in our nation to the central government."[3]

The difference therefore, between a federal union and an organic union, so far as powers are concerned, is not that the latter has more extensive powers than the former. The reverse may be the case. The difference is that in the case of the federal union the powers delegated by the uniting bodies may be resumed by them at their pleasure whereas those assigned to the organic union are, at least, believed to be surrendered irrevocably.[4]

But this difference is theoretical rather than real. As a member of a federal union a body has always three courses open to it: It can simply acquiesce in everything that the union does or proposes and move quietly along; it can object when it will, but still be willing to retain its membership at the risk of being looked upon as a factional and discordant element; or it can withdraw. As a member of an organic union it can do the first two and possibly the last, especially where, as in the case of churches, there is no physical power to prevent its withdrawal.[5]

[1] Christian Unity, p. 194.
[2] Note how this world is explained. A uniting Church is "unimpaired" in that it is *able to resume* the powers granted. Note also that it is not said that the *powers* of the uniting Churches are unimpaired but their "individuality."
[3] Christian Unity, p. 194.
[4] Christian Unity, p. 194f.
[5] Christian Unity, p. 196f.

When, therefore, the Federal Council says that it is not an organic union, what must we understand it to mean? We can understand only that whatever powers are delegated to it by a constituent body may be resumed by that body through withdrawal at any time, so that the Council can no longer act or speak in its name.

Resumption of powers by a constituent body, however, does not relieve it of responsibility for the acts and deliverances of the Council during the time that the body was a member. Furthermore, it should be remembered that, when a large body in which minds differ upon this question of union has once entered the Federal Council, the matter of withdrawal is not so simple and easy as it may seem. If there be any thought of ever coming out it were better, perhaps, not to enter, for it might not come out whole.

Unity in Faith and Its Confession Not Conserved.—For a thorough understanding and appreciation of the *first reason* for the decision of the Executive Board it is necessary, at this point, to present more fully that which is there concisely stated, namely, that we miss in the Constitution of the Federal Council any definite recognition of the necessity or importance of unity in faith and its confession as a condition of relationships of co-operation.

The Federal Council is a union "for the prosecution of work;"[1] and there is no other limitation[2] set to the work that it may undertake than is contained in the description, "work that can be better done in union than in separation." The Federal Council is not a union for the purpose of preserving and extending the pure teaching of the Gospel and the right administration of the sacraments. It makes no point of conserving the unity of the true faith, guarding against departure therefrom, or of strengthening the Church in faith and its confession.[3] All of these things are left entirely to the denominations, the Federal Council is for service, for work. It has no creed or confession of its own to constitute a bond of union between its member bodies; its unity is not a unity in faith; it consists of a uniting in service without regard to questions of faith. The only thing in its Constitution approximating a confession of its faith is found in what is authoritatively spoken of as "its unalterable preamble."[4] This "states the rock on which they stand." It is as follows:

"Whereas, In the providence of God, the time has come when it seems fitting more fully to manifest the essential oneness of the Christian Churches of America in Jesus Christ as their divine Lord and Saviour, and to promote the spirit of fellowship, service, and co-operation among them, the delegates to the Interchurch Conference on Federation assembled in New York City, do hereby recommend the following Plan of Federation to the Christian bodies represented in this Conference for their approval."

[1] See the Plan of Federation as quoted above.
[2] See also Christian Unity, p. 195.
[3] See Const. of U. L. C. A. Art. VI, Secs. 1 and 2.
[4] Report of Committee on Methods of Cooperation, 1920, p. 6.

"The essential oneness of the Christian Churches of America in Jesus Christ as their divine Lord and Saviour" is the rock. We greatly rejoice that the Federal Council officially declares so far the faith on which it stands. It so interprets this declaration that it has thus far declined to admit Unitarians and Universalists; but Unitarians, denying as they do the *deity* of Jesus Christ, can so interpret the words "divine Lord and Saviour" as to accept them and join the Federal Council without any change in the Preamble. If they were required to dot the i and cross the t, they would not do it. This differs greatly from the Nicene Creed in which we confess that Christ is "Very God of Very God"; from the Augsburg Confession,[1] according to which we teach that there is "one Christ, true God and true man;" and from Luther's Small Catechism wherewith we heartily say, "I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, etc." It differs also just as much from our *Declaration of Principles* in which we propose "as a criterion by which it may be possible for us to determine our attitude toward proposed movements of co-operation," the following: "The true Godhead of Jesus Christ and His redemption of the world by His life and death and resurrection."[2]

The Executive Board believes that for the United Lutheran Church to subscribe to such a statement as that contained in the Preamble referred to would be to show itself willing to speak in terms which are equivocal. The Executive Board believes also that for the United Lutheran Church to co-operate heartily in an organization in which so little importance is attached to the faith and its confession, that the organization seems actually to be afraid of it, would be impossible; and that, in the effort to do so, its testimony to the truth which it holds would be weakened, and that it would become more difficult even to keep alive the spirit of testimony.[3] Therefore, the judgment of the Executive Board is that the United Lutheran Church cannot enter into corporate union with the Federal Council and be true to its own confessions. It cannot regard the assumed "essential oneness of the Christian Churches of America in Jesus Christ as their Divine Lord and Saviour" as an adequate statement of Christian unity or a sufficient ground for union in organization.

A second Reason for the decision of the Executive Board has been briefly and comprehensively stated as follows:

That we note a strong tendency on the part of the Federal Council to set up much machinery in the effort to have the world in its organisms follow Christian principles, even though the world in those organisms has not been truly converted to Christian principles.

A—*Position of the Federal Council More Fully Stated.*

1. The "tendency" and practical working of the Federal Council here

[1] Article III.
[2] Declaration of Principles III, 2.
[3] See Declaration of Principles A, V, 2, 4; VII 4; C. D. I and IV 2.

noted grow out of its failure properly to distinguish, according to Holy Scripture, between the legalistic and the evangelical principles, between the true functions of the State and those of the Church.

2. The failure to make this distinction shows itself in the Council's acts and also in its dealings, as an organization representing the Churches, with questions of political, social and industrial relations. Attention is here called especially to the *Social Creed of the Churches* and to the four Resolutions adopted by the Federal Council at Cleveland in May, 1919.[1] An organized federation of Christian Churches, which does not adopt a creed as the expression of what it believes concerning God and His revealed truth, promulgates a Social Creed of sixteen articles. The articles of this "Creed" for which "the Churches stand," and the four resolutions which they "affirm" all have reference to matters of detail in social, economic, and industrial life—dealing with questions of rights, laws and regulations, employment and leisure, wages and division of profits.

3. The principles laid down, with a few possible exceptions, may be sound if impartially carried out; though some of them seem hardly practicable. But, however just they are, they are not distinctively Christian. No Christian faith whatever is required for the acceptance of those principles. The acceptance of them does not make men Christians nor prove that they are such. It may be a duty of Christians to stand for them; but it is no distinctive mark of Christians. Multitudes who accept them and fight for them spurn the very name of Christ and of God.

4. In the advocacy and establishment of these principles the Federal Council thinks "to promote the application of the law of Christ in every relation of human life."[2] If men accept these principles and freely conform their lives to them, well and good; if they do not they must be compelled; the Churches must co-operate to see that they be enacted into laws and enforced,[3] and thus, not by the preaching of the Gospel of the Kingdom which the Saviour commanded, but by resort to force must the Kingdom be built.

B—*The Position of the Lutheran Church.*

a. *In Principle.* 1. The Lutheran Church cannot accept any such conception of its task. As it thinks, the Church cannot become an arbiter in disputes about human rights; the border land between the rights of contending parties is often too undefined and indistinct. In such cases the Church must say as did our Lord, "Who made me a judge or a divider over you?" Only when one party or the other plainly violates a com-

[1] For both of these see Report of Commission on the Church and Social Service at Boston in December, 1920, p. 38f. For the history of the Social Creed of the Churches see Federal Council Bulletin, April-May, 1921, p. 53. See also the provisional statement of Christian Principles which should be applied to Industrial Relationships. Report of the Committee on the Church and Social Service, p. 35f. See also the Churches Allied (1921) p. 112, a, b, c, d.

[2] See Constitution of Federal Council—Objects, IV.

[3] See proposed Council of Churches for New York State, p. 6, item 9. See also The Churches Allied (1921), p. 340f.

mand of God or the law of the land can the Church pronounce judgment and in every such pronouncement it must speak as of the oracles of God.

2. Again, the Lutheran Church holds that it is not for the Church as an organization to propose laws, or to turn aside from its work of preaching the Word of God to undertake the promotion of righteousness by the arm of the civil power.[1] Civil government is of God's ordinance as truly as is the Church; to each He has assigned its own proper work. The Church may not intrude itself upon the domain of the State, precisely as the Church cannot suffer the State to interfere with its internal affairs.

3. The work of the Church is fundamental to and promotive of good government, but its goal is not government however just and wise and good. The Church's vision and aim extend much farther. It seeks larger and better things than law and government can even require. It preaches that men should do justly; but more than this, it preaches repentance for sin and faith in Christ; it preaches love, compassion, mercy, forbearance, self-renunciation, service, seeking others' good and not one's own. This is its greatest work and value as a social influence and power, and when it busies itself in pressing for the enactment and enforcement of specific laws it resigns its proper function and descends from a higher, broader and more constructive activity to one that is of a lower and narrower range, and that may become both meddlesome and divisive. The work of the Church comes not so much after disputes to settle them as before to prevent them; not so much after acts of lawlessness and violence to punish them as before to forestall them by inculcating the principles of justice and mercy, and the fear of God. The Church comes not to take up the work of judgment, but rather to save men from judgment. The spirit of the Church and its work are portrayed in the example of Jesus at Nazareth, when He read from the book of the prophet Esaias, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord."[2]

The two conceptions of the spirit and task of the Church are well represented by the statues of Luther at Worms and of Zwingli at Zurich. Luther is armed only with the Bible, Zwingli bears a Bible in one hand and a sword in the other.[3]

b. *In Practice.* 1. The Lutheran Church, however, recognizes a positive duty in these matters. Christians are to be the leaven of society. Christ calls his disciples "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world." He commands them to let their light so shine before men that they may see their good works and glorify their Father which is in heaven. Therefore, the Church can and should preach obedience to God, and also to the laws of the commonwealth. It should urge that legislators

[1] See Declaration of Principles D, IV, 3.
[2] On this entire division see Declaration of Principles A, V, 3 and D, IV, 3.
[3] Cambridge Modern History, Vol. II, p. 208.

owe it to God and their fellowmen to enact such laws, and only such, as will promote justice and the peace and safety of all the people; and that judges, magistrates and jurors owe it to God and their fellow men to deal out even-handed justice to all, regardless of wealth or standing. It should urge that the people cast their votes in the fear of God for men who will seek justice above all things. In all of the Church's preaching and teaching, however, it must carefully avoid creating or fostering the impression that a "civil righteousness" makes men "righteous before God," or can establish the Kingdom of God on the earth. (Ap. Augs. Conf. Chap. II, Art. IV 2, 6.)

In harmony with this, the historic teaching of our Church, and in the application of these principles to the needs of the present day, the United Lutheran Church in America believes and holds that:

2. It is the duty of Christians as members of society so to order their lives, conduct their business, and perform their social tasks as to promote justice and good will among men and to secure the highest economic, moral and spiritual development of all the members of the social order. It is their further duty to use their influence to secure similar action on the part of others.

3. It is the duty of Christians to use their influence and rights as citizens to secure the election or appointment to office of good and honest men, who will make and execute just and righteous laws, and will administer the affairs of government as a public trust, in the best interests of all the people. It is also their duty in every possible way to encourage and assist officials in the faithful discharge of their duties.

4. It is the right and duty of organized groups of Christians, such as congregations and Synods, to direct and assist their members in the determination of their duty as Christian citizens and members of society by declaring to them the teachings of the Word of God on these subjects, and by showing them how the principles of the Gospel are to be applied to the peculiar problems and tasks of this generation.

5. It is also the right and duty of these organized groups of Christians, when occasion demands and the Word of God justifies, to speak for the enlightenment of public opinion and the awakening of the public conscience concerning matters which affect the public welfare.

6. It is, therefore, the duty of such organized groups of Christians to qualify themselves for the performance of these tasks by the careful study of all the questions involved, and by the creation for this purpose of suitable and competent committees or commissions, ever remembering that the Church and its representatives must always seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and of the Word of God, the means whereby the Holy Spirit enlightens and directs His people, and that they can speak only when, and as, the Holy Scriptures warrant them to speak. The Church must speak with a voice that is distinct from and more authoritative than the voice of merely human wisdom.

7. It is the duty of the pastors and members of our congregations not to speak on these matters hastily, or unadvisedly and without due knowledge, lest they may confuse the minds of the people, and hinder rather than help the cause of truth and righteousness.

A third reason for the judgment and decision of the Executive Board in this matter is:

That the Federal Council does not clearly, definitely and specifically set forth the things in which the Churches may co-operate without any one of them being led into acquiescence in what it regards as error, or into suppression of its testimony to the truth which it holds;[1] but that on the other hand the program of the Federal Council is so constructed as to embrace practically every activity of the Church.

It is not a chief concern of the Federal Council to preclude the danger that any of the Churches, by uniting in its fellowship and co-operative activities, might become less watchful to maintain pure doctrine and less prompt to bear its own testimony; if it were, the Council would carefully limit its program to those interests which the Churches have in common and which do not involve any doctrinal implication or commitment. The fact is, however, that its tasks are not specifically stated; and there is no attempt whatever to delimit the scope of its activities. If one examines the Constitution of the Federal Council, the records of its proceedings and those of its Commissions and Committees, or if he reads its official publications, he will look in vain for a single mention of any form of activity which it were better to leave to the Churches themselves. The constitutional provisions are so liberal, and the organization is so complete, that every department of Church work could easily be taken over and managed by the Council, if the Churches would agree to it and provide the means. The fact is that the program of its work has lagged far behind what is desired and what it could become without overstepping constitutional limitations; and it cannot be denied that the Federal Council is now aiming to enlarge its program, without setting any limits, and that it is trying to get the Churches to agree to this and to furnish the money. It is plain that the success of the present movement would greatly strengthen the Federal Council and correspondingly diminish the importance of the denominational bodies, except as contributors to the larger work of the Council. The only condition that is required to bring this result to pass is the ability of the Federal Council to make it appear to the co-operating Churches that this would be the better way. It is impossible to resist the conclusion that the present aspiration of the leaders in the Federal Council is toward a closer union of the Churches in the Council, not barring ultimately the idea of one organized Church; and that, without any effort or apparent disposition to provide and maintain a pure Scriptural faith and confession. This is contrary to the whole Lutheran conception of the unity of the Church and of its relation to the Word of God as interpreter and

[1] Declaration of Principles A. VII 4 and D. I.

witnesser, as is clearly and abundantly set forth in the "Declaration of Principles" adopted at Washington 1920.[1] Therefore again, the Executive Board takes the position that The United Lutheran Church cannot become a member of the Federal Council of Churches.[2]

As specific lines of activity emphasized by the Federal Council in which the United Lutheran Church cannot co-operate with it on the commonly accepted principles and methods, the Executive Board would cite especially the work of the Commission on Evangelism, and that of the Commission on Interchurch Federations. Neither can it co-operate in the activities of other commissions whose purpose and scope would in any wise encroach upon the teaching function of the Church.

V—*Co-operation.*

We believe, however, that there are interests which are common to all of the Churches and in regard to which there may be a certain measure of co-operation without involving for any one of the co-operating Churches the question of fidelity to the faith which it confesses. In this sense we have proposed to the representatives of the Federal Council the establishment of a consultative relation with that Body, as defined in the last paragraph but one under II above. We therefore so recommend.

A—Co-operation of The United Lutheran Church with the Federal Council. We have drawn up the following list of activities in which we believe that The United Lutheran Church can thus co-operate with the Federal Council without becoming a member body, and have notified the officers of the Council that the Executive Board will welcome the opportunity so to co-operate upon invitation or notification.

a. Study of the Question of Christian unity.
b. Common Phases of Educational Work.
c. In Reference to Army and Navy Chaplains.
d. General Surveys when such seem to be urgently needed.
e. Conference and Exchange of Departmental Plans.
f. Declaration on Matters of Public Concern—These to be submitted to the Executive Board for approval before publication and to be published by authority of those Bodies only which approve.
g. Relief for Stricken Countries, Sections, etc.
h. Assembling and Publishing of Church Statistics.
i. General Publicity for all Co-operating Churches.
j. Transportation arrangements.

1. We ask the approval of this.

2. We would recommend (a) that, following the same principles, the Executive Board be authorized to add other items to the above list as occasion may require; (b) that co-operation in such activities as are here specified be referred to the Executive Board, which shall make full report, however, to the convention; and (c) that the United Lutheran Church

[1] See Declaration of Principles A. VII 1, 4; C. I, II; D. I. See also Augsburg Confession Ar. VII.
[2] See Declaration of Principles, C. V., D. II (a), (b), (c).

make provision for the payment of its reasonable share of the expenses of such co-operation.

B—State Councils or Federations. Inasmuch as the chief task of the Commission on Interchurch Federations is that of organizing Councils or Federations (State and Local), securing Secretaries for them and inaugurating a program of work,[1] it seems necessary that, for the guidance of the Constituent Synods, pastors and congregations of the United Lutheran Church something should be said concerning such Councils or Federations.

The state organizations, whether the one name or the other be employed, are modeled upon the plan of the Federal Council. The Constitution begins with the same Preamble.[2] They are "formed only through the official action of State or District ecclesiastical bodies."[3] Their objects are much the same. For example, Article II of the Proposed Tentative Constitution of the Council of Churches for the State of New York reads as follows:

"The purpose of this Council shall be: (1) To realize essential unity among the Christian forces of the State on a basis of mutual respect; (2) to develop an aggressive co-operative program for the Churches in the interest of the Kingdom of God; (3) to encourage and assist in the formation and development of local councils in the cities, villages, communities and counties of the state for the promotion of the same ends."

They have a program which conforms very closely to that of the Federal Council as represented by its various commissions.[4] In the Program of the State Federations there is not a single activity requiring a permanent organization and working force which is not covered by the Federal Council and its Commissions or by the local federation. Indeed it is difficult to understand what cause the State Federations can serve save the cause of union in the Federal Council. It may be seriously questioned whether the time, energy and money put into them are profitably expended.

The Executive Board would recommend that the attention of Constituent Synods be called to Article VIII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church, which provides that "no Synod shall have power of independent affiliation with general organizations and movements," and that the Synods be advised that it is the judgment of the United Lutheran Church that not only on account of the constitutional limitation but also in the interest of a wise stewardship of time, money and energy, to say nothing of fidelity to our Church's confessional position, the right course for them to pursue is to decline organic relations with the State Federations.

C—Local Councils or Federations. The United Lutheran Church has approved the principle, that "the Synods with their elected officials

[1] See The Churches Allied p. 217. See also Together p. 9.
[2] See proposed Council of Churches for New York State p. 4.
[3] Ib. p. 3.
[4] See the Program of the Ohio Federation on p. 6 of the Proposed Council of Churches for New York State and compare it with the list of Commissions of the Federal Council.

constitute the pre-eminent authority in relation to the congregations."[1] Nevertheless, the United Lutheran Church has the right and the duty to conserve among its people the unity of the true faith, to guard against any departure therefrom, and to strengthen the Church in faith and confession,[2] and to this end to advise its pastors and congregations.

The United Lutheran Church cannot authorize any relationship on the part of Synods, Boards, pastors, congregations or societies which would compromise loyalty to its confessional position or imply any abatement of its jealous guardianship of the faith.[3] The Executive Board believes that to co-operate in good faith with others in any organization which purposely works with eyes closed to confessional differences, would necessarily involve in practice that which would amount to "the surrender of our interpretation of the Gospel, the denial of conviction, or the suppression of our testimony to what we hold to be the truth."[4]

1. We recommend therefore; (1) that the consultative relation as defined in the last paragraph but one under II be recognized as the pattern for co-operative relationships in general; (2) that, accordingly, the United Lutheran Church advise that its pastors and congregations decline corporate membership in local Councils, Federations or other organizations based upon the principles disapproved in this statement; and (3), that the United Lutheran Church, recognizing that there may be a participation in certain matters of common interest to all the Churches without involving the question of fidelity to the faith which our Churches confess, approve of co-operation on the part of its pastors and congregations with local Councils or Federations, in such undertakings as the following:

a. The study of the Question of Christian Unity in accordance with the Declaration of Principles, Divisions C and D.

b. Common Phases of Educational Work.

c. Surveys in cities and rural territories in order that there may be made available full information concerning the number and ecclesiastical affiliation of the unchurched.

d. Declaration on Matters of Public Concern to be published by authority of those Churches only which approve.

e. Relief for Stricken Countries, Sections, etc.

f. Rescue Work, Listing Delinquents, etc., and referring them to the Churches with which they may be affiliated.

g. Relief Work (local).

h. Publicity for the Churches.

2. We recommend, with reference to the Commissions on Evangelism, on the Church and Social Service, and on Interchurch Federations, that our pastors and congregations maintain an attitude in harmony with that

[1] Minutes of the Second Convention, p. 87.
[2] Constitution of the U. L. C., Art. VI, Sec. 2. See also Declaration of Principles E, passim.
[3] Constitution of the U. L. C., Art. II, also third and fourth paragraphs of the Preamble.
[4] Declaration of Principles, D. I.

of the United Lutheran Church. (See last paragraph under IV above.)

In conclusion: We recommend the adoption of the following statement:

The United Lutheran Church, in thus defining its relation to the Federal Council and to other Churches, disavows any spirit of self-righteousness and avows a courteous, respectful and friendly attitude toward them. It professes love to them as those who love the Lord. It takes the position which it does simply because it believes itself to be evangelical and catholic in its teaching, and consequently feels itself bound to bear witness constantly and unequivocally to the truth which it believes and by its testimony, to secure if possible the universal acceptance of that truth.[1] Its aim is not to make proselytes, but to spread the truth of the Gospel as it knows that truth. It believes also that in maintaining the position which it does it is serving the cause of full freedom in religion for which it has stood since the Reformation.

B—Proposal for Relations Between the United Lutheran Church in America and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

We, the undersigned Committee of The United Lutheran Church in America, do hereby propose, on behalf of the said United Lutheran Church in America, and by authority of its Executive Board, the establishment of relations with the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America on the following terms, if the same should be found acceptable to the Federal Council:

1st. That the relation shall be of a consultative character, by which The United Lutheran Church may have a voice but no vote; thus securing to it entire autonomy, from beginning to end, in regard to the decisions and actions of the Federal Council of Churches, and, at the same time, the privilege of co-operating in such tasks and problems as it may elect.

2nd. That The United Lutheran Church shall appoint its own representatives who shall be its spokesmen, and who shall report to the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church.

3rd. That the particular lines of co-operation shall be determined by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in accordance with the principle that the attitude of the Church toward any co-operative organization or movement "must be determined by a consideration of

(a) The purposes which it seeks to accomplish.

(b) The principles on which it rests.

(c) The effect which our participation will produce upon the independent position of our Church as a witness to the truth of the Gospel which we confess."

In harmony with the above, we submit herewith detailed arrangements for the present time, by which, if acceptable to the Federal Council, the proposed relationship may become practically effective.

[1] Declaration of Principles, A. V. 4, and A. VII, 1.

1st. The dropping of the name of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church from the roster of the Federal Council.

2nd. That the name of The United Lutheran Church in America may be used by the Federal Council only in connection with a statement or indication of its consultative relationship.

3rd. That if desired, The United Lutheran Church will appoint friendly visitors to the meetings of the Federal Council and to those of the Executive Committee.

4th. That if the Federal Council shall appoint members at large from The United Lutheran Church on their Administrative Committee it is understood that such appointees can act only in their individual capacity.

5th. That it be understood that The United Lutheran Church will at present, arrange for co-operation in the following matters:

a. Study of the Question of Christian Unity.
b. Common Phases of Educational Work.
c. In Reference to Army and Navy Chaplains.
d. General Surveys when such seem to be urgently needed.
e. Conference and Exchange of Departmental Plans.
f. Declaration on Matters of Public Concern—These to be submitted to the Executive Board for approval before publication and to be published by authority of those Bodies only which approve.
g. Relief for Stricken Countries, Sections, etc.
h. Assembling and publishing of Church Statistics.
i. General Publicity for all Co-operating Churches.
j. Transportation arrangements.

Other items may be added to the above list as action may require.

6th. In accordance with the statement in five above The United Lutheran Church will, at present, appoint consultative members on the Commission on Education, the Commission on International Justice and Goodwill, and the Washington Committee.

7th. We request, as a courtesy, that copies of the Minutes of the Conventions, also of the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Administrative Committee of the Federal Council be forwarded to the President of The United Lutheran Church in America.

8th. That The United Lutheran Church will pay to the Federal Council of Churches the amount of $2,000 up to the time of the next Convention of The United Lutheran Church (October 1922) when a new budget will be determined.

The following appointments were made to various Commissions and Committees of the Federal Council:

Administrative Committee: Rev. G. U. Wenner, D.D., L.H.D., Rev. A. Steimle, D.D.

Washington Committee (Army & Navy Chaplains): Rev. Chas. F. Steck, D.D., Rev. Chas. M. Jacobs, D.D.

Commission on Christian Education: Rev. G. U. Wenner, D.D., L.H.D.,

Rev. A. Steimle, D.D., Rev. E. C. Cronk, D.D., Rev. C. P. Wiles, D.D.

Commission on International Justice and Goodwill: Rev. E. H. Delk, D.D., Rev. J. B. Remensnyder, D.D., Rev. L. B. Wolf, D.D. (Committee on the Orient), Rev. F. H. Knubel, D.D., LL.D.

4—*World Conference on Faith and Order and the Universal Conference of the Church of Christ on Life and Work.*

Formal invitations having been received requesting the United Lutheran Church to take part in the World Conference on Faith and Order and the Universal Conference of the Church of Christ on Life and Work, the Secretary of the Executive Board was requested to prepare statements showing the principles and aims of these organizations or movements. His statements were submitted to the Executive Board in July, 1922. In the meantime the President received an urgent invitation from Prof. K. B. Westman of the University of Upsala to attend a meeting of the Committee of Arrangements for the Conference on Life and Work in August at Haelsingborg, Sweden. Because of the necessity of immediate reply the President answered this letter stating reasons why he could not accept the invitation. The President's letter to Prof. Westman, which applies to both of the Conferences above named, was also laid before the Executive Board at its meeting in July. The Board approved of the steps taken by the Secretary and the President and instructed them to prepare for the submission of these matters to the Convention.

(1) Statements.

a—*World Conference on Faith and Order.*

The World Conference on Faith and Order was first proposed by The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America at the General Convention of that body in 1910. A Commission was appointed charged with the duty of bringing about a Conference for the consideration of questions touching Faith and Order. "All Christian Communions throughout the world which confess our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour" were to be asked to unite "in arranging for and conducting such a Conference." The Churches were invited on equal terms, and a large number of them appointed Commissions. Several meetings were held the chief business of which was to lay plans for a Preliminary Conference for the purpose of arranging for the World Conference as the ultimate goal. This Preliminary Meeting was held at Geneva, Switzerland, August 12-20, 1920. At that time there had been appointed Commissions representing seventy Churches, divided into fifteen groups, Episcopalian and non-Episcopalian.

The object to be sought by the proposed Conference is variously stated; as, "The visible unity of Christ's Church," "an outward and evident unity of the Church of God," "the visible unity of the Church." And the aim is "nothing less than the unity of the whole of Christendom." Expressions

like the following were in frequent use by the representatives of the several Churches; "The inclusive Church," "The comprehensive Church," "Something which would involve both Protestant and Catholic." "Mediating conceptions" concerning the Church and its necessary unity are to be sought.

The spirit of the Preliminary Meeting, as shown by the Report, was devout and earnest in its quest, fearless in regard to the facing of issues, frank in the statement of views, fair in the treatment of groups.

The subjects discussed were *The Church and the nature of the United Church* and *The Place of the Bible and a Creed in relation to reunion.*

A Continuation Committee, "charged with the duty of carrying on the work of preparation for the World Conference or Conferences on Faith and Order," was appointed. The Committee as elected by the Conference consisted of 53 members. It was given power to add to the membership. The Committee was made "as broadly representative as practicable of the various groups of Communions" represented in the Preliminary Meeting. The Committee organized by the election of

Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, D.D., Bishop of Western New York, Chairman.
George Zabriskie, D.C.L., 49 Wall St., New York City, Treasurer.
Robert H. Gardiner, 174 Water St., Gardiner, Maine, Secretary.

There was a Business Committee of eight members, plus the Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. There was also a Subjects Committee, originally of five members named from the Continuation Committee, but having power to add to its numbers, provided that the number so added be never in excess of the number of its members who were also members of the Continuation Committee.

The two subjects noted above and other statements submitted at the Conference were referred to the Continuation Committee with instructions to prepare for their fuller consideration at the First World Conference.

The following considerations should be taken account of as at least claiming serious thought on our part in the determination of our attitude toward the proposed Conference.

(1) This Conference, from the very birth of the idea until now, has been fostered and promoted by Church authority and with all Church formalities.

(2) The number and standing of the Churches which have officially endorsed the Conference. At the Preliminary Meeting at Geneva (Aug. 1920) the delegates represented forty nations and eighty autonomous Churches, including all the great families or groups of Trinitarian Churches, except the Church of Rome which had declined to participate. Among these were the Lutheran Churches of Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Hungary.

(3) The unexampled opportunity which this Conference would afford for bearing testimony to the truth which we hold and to co-operate with others in the effort to reach a common understanding as to the nature and unity of the Church.

Following are the chief considerations which must be weighed over against those just stated.

(1) The inherent difficulty in the attempt to reconcile the conflicting views as to the Church and its true unity. This difficulty appears in the very name of the Conference, where the question of Order is made co-ordinate with that of the Faith of the Church.

(2) The equally staggering difficulty involved in the attempt to reach positive agreements concerning the truth for which the united Church is to stand.

(3) The consequent improbability of the realization of a permanent and valid union of the Churches.

b—Universal Conference of the Church of Christ on Life and Work.

(1)—*Origin.* The Paris Conference November 17th, 1919, was called by a Committee consisting of Archbishop Soderblom of Sweden, Dean Herold of Switzerland and Dr. Chas. S. Macfarland, Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. (Records of Preliminary Meeting page 3f.)

The original proposal for such a Conference was made by Archbishop Soderblom at the Hague Conference of World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches in 1919. (Announcement page 2 (8).)

At the request of the Paris Conference mentioned above a call was issued by the Federal Council for a Conference at Geneva in August, 1920, the purpose being as stated "to confer upon the calling of an ecumenical conference of Church bodies to consider the urgent practical tasks of Christian life and service and the possibilities of world-wide co-operation in testimony and action. (Records p. 5.)

(2)—*Preliminary Meeting.* A preliminary meeting was held at Geneva August 9-12, 1920. There were one hundred and one persons in attendance from various countries and Churches. (Records page 22.) Those who did not have credentials properly issued by the Bodies which they represented were co-opted and seated as members of the preliminary meeting. (Records p. 17.)

The chief thing done by the preliminary meeting was the appointment of a Committee of Arrangements with power to organize and to add to its own number, preferably by securing the appointment of new members from the Bodies to be represented in the Conference. (Records p. 18.)

The committee was instructed to invite all Christian communions to participate in the proposed Conference. (Records page 17.) Numerous suggestions as to a program for the proposed Conference were referred to the Committee of Arrangements. (Records pp. 14, 55.) To this Committee was also referred the determination of time and place for the Conference, it being recommended that the Conference be held, if practicable, sometime during 1922; otherwise 1923. (Records page 19.)

(3)—*The Committee of Arrangements.* The first and second sessions

of the Committee of Arrangements were held August 12 and 13, 1920. At the first session the question was raised as to whether the members of the Committee were to be considered as individuals or as representatives of their several ecclesiastical bodies. It was agreed "that the members of the preliminary committee are to be considered only as representatives of the Conference but not of their ecclesiastical bodies and that the decisions of the Committee are subject to the approval of their bodies." (Records p. 26.)

The committee voted that the name of the Conference should provisionally be "Universal Conference of the Church of Christ on Life and Work." The hope is expressed that this Conference will become ecumenical. (Records p. 28.)

The committee voted also "to divide the world into four groups; first, the Eastern Church with their own Chairman and Committee; second, a European Continental group with Chairman, Secretary and Committee; third, a British group including the British Empire; and fourth, an American group including South America." (Records page 28 and Minutes of Meeting of the American Section of the Committee of Arrangements, Nov. 2, 1921, page 6.)

The time and place of the proposed conference have not yet been decided. The American Section is of the opinion that the Conference should not be held earlier than the summer of 1924. An invitation presented by Archbishop Söderblom to hold the proposed Conference in Sweden was referred to the Committee of Arrangements and seems to be regarded with much favor. (Records p. 19.)

It was decided by the Committee that each section should be asked to provide for its own expense. (Records p. 28.)

(4)—*Purpose of the Conference.* Probably no more definite statement of the purpose of the proposed Conference can be given than that issued by the Committee of the American Section in the Announcement recently issued. The following is quoted from that paper:

The purpose of the Conference is not primarily to promote the reunion of Christendom, though such co-operation between the Churches as is proposed would undoubtedly help to this end. It is not intended to deal with questions of Faith and Order. The purpose is rather to concentrate the thought of Christendom on the mind of Christ as revealed in the Gospels toward those great social questions, industrial and international, which are so acutely urgent in every country. . . .

This movement is to be carefully distinguished from four other movements. It is to be distinguished from the Interchurch World Movement in that it does not propose to inaugurate a campaign for raising funds beyond the actual needs of the Conference itself. This is to be a conference pure and simple, and so far as we know, is not intended to have a successor or to undertake further work unless the Conference itself, when assembled, so desires.

It is to be distinguished from the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches. The Alliance, as the name indicates, exists simply and solely for promoting friendship throughout the world.

It was not constituted by the Churches and has no authority to represent them. The membership of the Alliance includes a large number of people associated voluntarily to work in the cause of international friendship.

It is to be distinguished in the third place from the World Conference on Faith and Order, which concerns itself with matters of doctrine and ecclesiastical orders as related to organic union of the Churches. This Conference is not to deal with these questions nor to discuss questions of theology and church organization regarding which there are differences of opinion in the different branches of the Church.

In the fourth place it differs from all self-constituted and voluntary movements of Christian people, such as missionary, educational and social service movements. A good illustration would be to say that it will be to the whole life and work of the Church substantially what the World Conference at Edinburgh was for Foreign Missions, with the important difference that the present Conference will be composed of officially appointed representatives of Churches instead of delegates appointed by missionary boards. Its purpose will be to consider the practical work of the Church at home and abroad, but without authority to raise or administer money or to deal with questions of "Faith and Order," or to take any action whatever that would be binding upon Churches without their explicit and prior consent. The delegates to the Conference will all be appointed by their respective Churches. (Announcement, p. 1f.)

2—The Letter.

Realizing that all of us have deep concern for such matters as are involved in this proposed Conference, it seemed good to me to write my views, which express, I believe, the position of the United Lutheran Church in America.

In the *first* place, then, the United Lutheran Church is by no means unmindful of its responsibilities toward Christians in denominational groups outside of the Lutheran Church. We have earnestly and prayerfully studied how we ought and may fulfil those responsibilities. This effort on our part found its first important development in the adoption at our Washington Convention two years ago of a Declaration of Principles Concerning the Church and Its External Relationships. On the basis of that Declaration we have been aiming to work out in a practical way our attitude. We have, for instance, now assumed a certain kind of relationship to the Federal Council of the Churches without feeling able at present to take full membership in that Council. Our reasons for this step are given in a lengthy action of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, a copy of which action is also enclosed herewith. I am sending this because it reveals some of the important difficulties which Lutherans in this country experience in their relationship with Christians in other denominations. I ought to add that the proposition of the United Lutheran Church has been accepted by the Federal Council and that we are therefore always listed by the Federal Council as holding a consultative relationship with them.

In the *second* place, the United Lutheran Church has hitherto refrained from taking active part in relationship to other denominations whenever movements have been planned which extend beyond America, which are international in their character. Thus, for instance, we have taken no positive steps in such matters as the Faith and Order Movement and the Conference on Life and Work. One of the important reasons for our hesitancy concerning these international movements is that we have steadily hoped for the possibility that the Lutherans of the world might come to some

common understanding as to the attitude which we ought to assume toward these movements. The United Lutherans Church has been urging the holding of an International Lutheran Convention. Our desire is that at such a convention we shall be able to reach a more or less clear understanding upon the basis of which we can unitedly proceed and thus unitedly have the strongest influence. We have noted of course, that the Church of Sweden and other Lutheran groups in Europe have been represented in such international plans. We have noted especially Archbishop Söderblom's towering influence. Our hearts, however, are very desirous that there might come to be a combined pressure of the Lutheranism of the world influencing and shaping these movements. In common with you we recognize that there is a great necessity for which Lutheranism lives in the world. We recognize that there is great necessity, especially at the present time, to testify for the truth we know before other Christians. We recognize that there is a great necessity that we as Lutherans shall determine together, and in the presence of our Lord, what our right position is. These are some of the reasons which make us long for an International Lutheran Convention. We believe that at such a Pan-Lutheran Convention we of America shall have much to learn from the Lutherans of Europe. We believe also that there are some things which we can show to our brethren in Europe, especially as concerns American Protestantism.

In the *third* place, I believe I ought to say to you that as American Lutherans we have been studying very earnestly these various international Christian movements, especially those which have had their origin in America. You well know how many of these movements originated here and how many of them have been strongly pressed here. Permit me, as briefly as possible, to enumerate some of our fears concerning them without any mention of our favorable thoughts regarding them.

(a) The *great number* of those movements and conferences constantly arising has the inevitable result of distracting the Church, consuming its energy and using up its time and its man-power.

(b) Many of these activities would seem to lead to little more than a significant display on the part of the Church before the world.

(c) In many movements we note a growing and dangerous disregard of the representative principle. We mean thereby that the membership in these movements, especially from America, is very frequently not at all representative of the Church Bodies themselves. In addition to regular representatives very often many additional members are named by the movements or organizations themselves, under the terms Co-opted, Corresponding, At Large, Advisory, Affiliated. The neglect of the representative principle constitutes in reality a despising of the Church.

(d) Naturally, as Lutherans we are always responsive to any proposition which bears the name and the character of a conference. However, if suggestions for conferences become too frequent even they absorb the time of the Church. Furthermore conferences to be of value ought to be lengthy. A few days of conference and discussion can accomplish little.

(e) Sometimes we are inclined to think that the tendency of present movements is altogether too much along the idea of the approach of the Churches to one another from the top down. There is too little consciousness of the need for Christian union from the bottom up. In other words, the real unity of Christians within congregations, within local territories and within individual denominations themselves receives scant attention.

(f) One other difficulty which confronts us is that which is fully stated in the decision of the United Lutheran Church's Executive Board concerning the Federal Council. In other words, to state it briefly, faith and its

confession are neglected or minimized. As Lutherans we well know their importance in the life of the Church and in all plans for relationships. Such neglect is quite characteristic of American Protestantism. As concerns the Conference on Life and Work, we note that it is proposed to avoid such discussion, although, indeed, there is frequent mention in American publications concerning the Conference, of the desire to know the "mind of Christ" upon the various problems. All will recognize that any consideration of the mind of Christ must involve a consideration of those things which go to make up our Christian faith and its confession.

Let me repeat once more that in enumerating above our fears I have made no mention whatsoever of reasons which urge us favorably towards these various movements. Ere I conclude, however, let me say that we are greatly influenced by what I have stated above in my second division concerning the desire for a common understanding on the part of Lutherans throughout the world.

VIII. FINANCE

1—*Audits.*

According to authority given by the United Lutheran Church the Executive Board appointed the firm of Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, Certified Public Accountants, to audit the accounts of all Boards for the biennium.

Several of the Boards have complained of the cost of the audit of their accounts by this firm. It is deemed proper to remark that the audit for 1921 was in many cases, the first made by the accountants appointed, and necessitated not only the verification of all figures but the installation of a new system of accounting so that the cost, even after a special reduction in price made for us, was much more than normal. The total cost of the work for all of the Boards amounted to about one-quarter of one per cent. of the amount of money handled and we believe the good to the Church at large in systematizing accounts, unifying methods and increasing confidence in our financial operations is of incalculable value.

2—*Sale of Liberty Bonds.*

The heavy expenses in connection with the Convention at Washington made the deficit in the current fund of the Executive Board so large that the Board approved of the sale by the Treasurer of $5,000 in United States Liberty Bonds received from the General Council in order to reduce the deficit.

3—*Apportionment.*

Following instructions received at the Washington Convention the budget which was adopted was distributed among the various Synods on the two-fold basis of Confirmed Membership and Current Local Expenses. The table of apportionments was printed in the Minutes of the Second Convention, page 572.

4—*The Sotter Fund.*

By the will of Emma K. Sotter the Executive Board came into possession of $10,000 less 5 per cent. The Legal Committee was requested to

pass upon the question as to the proper use to be made of the funds under the terms of the will. The committee submitted the following report:

Your Legal Committee to which was submitted a request for an opinion as to the bequest of Emma Kirmse Sotter begs leave to report as follows:

As to the Sotter bequest we are of opinion that under the item in the Will in question the funds should go to the United Lutheran Church in America the principal to be invested and kept intact, and the income to be used as it seems best for the use of Church extension and home missions.

There is no limitation as to the method or manner in which this legacy is to be used and we are, therefore, of opinion that it is not obligatory upon the United Lutheran Church to expend the income through either the Board of Church Extension or the Board of Home Missions.

There may be some question as to whether the word "desire" is directory or merely precatory, but we are of opinion that the safe method is to apply one-half of the income to Church extension work and the remaining one-half to home mission work.

This report was adopted and the application of the income from the Sotter Fund was referred by the Executive Board to the Treasurer with power.

5—*Transmission of Funds.*

The following resolution was adopted by the Executive Board and forwarded by the Secretary to the Presidents of Constituent Synods and to the Secretaries of all Boards:

That all benevolence funds, regular apportionment and special funds, raised by congregations should be transmitted monthly to their destination through congregational treasuries, synodical treasuries and the treasury of the United Lutheran Church.

6—*Financial System.*

The Executive Board has confidence in the present financial system and believes that a better one could not be devised to meet the requirements of the Church in carrying on the works of missions, education and mercy. The system affords the opportunity to every Board to present its cause to congregations, conferences and synods with appeals for special consideration and also to make personal solicitation of contributions.

The Finance Committee of the Executive Board met with representatives of the Boards of the Church in order to ascertain their needs for the years 1924 and 1925. At this conference the question of annuity rates was discussed. The committee also considered again item by item the financial plan adopted at Washington and presented the following recommendations, which were approved by the Executive Board and are hereby submitted:

(1) That the coming convention be asked to again endorse the financial plan amended as follows:

THE FINANCIAL PLAN

(a) All funds contributed for Boards and committees of the United Lutheran Church should be sent to the Treasurers of the Synods and by

them to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church. This includes special contributions in response to general appeals as well as to the agencies of the Church.

(b) Unless otherwise marked, all funds sent by the Synod shall apply on the apportionment for the current fiscal year.

(c) The apportionment of the United Lutheran Church shall be considered the minimum amount which each Synod should provide toward the regular obligations of the Church.

(d) Special contributions and bequests to the benevolent and educational work of the Church shall be encouraged and all Boards urged to present their cause to Synods, congregations and individuals; but as it is the duty of all to recognize first the apportionment obligations, no such special contributions shall be credited on the apportionment.

(e) In order that all obligations of the Church may be promptly met, all Synods should remit monthly to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church not less than one-twelfth of the apportionment and all congregations should make similar monthly payments to their Synodical Treasurers.

(f) All congregations are urged to adopt the Weekly Duplex Envelope System as being eminently Scriptural and the most practical and best financial method known, and all officers of Synods and pastors are expected to make every effort for the adoption of this method.

(g) The Synods are urged to provide for an annual every member canvass in all congregations of the United Lutheran Church during Thanksgiving Week, or as near that time as possible, in order that proper financial support may be provided for the work of the congregation, the Synod and the United Lutheran Church.

(h) The total amount to be raised for all Boards and Committees as authorized by the United Lutheran Church shall be apportioned to all Synods at a rate based on confirmed membership and regular local expenses.

(i) Expenses of meetings of committees not otherwise provided for and such other expenses as may be authorized by the officers of the United Lutheran Church shall be paid by the Treasurer upon the approval provided by the By-Laws.

(j) The fiscal year of all Boards shall close on July 31 and the apportionment year shall end December 31 of each year. It is recommended that Synods, as far as possible, arrange their apportionment year to begin on January 1 of each year.

(k) The budget adopted at each biennial convention of The United Lutheran Church shall be for the two years beginning with the second "January 1" succeeding the Convention.

(l) The Executive Board shall appoint annually a firm of certified public accountants who shall audit the accounts of all Boards.

(m) The rates of income on annuity bonds issued by the Boards shall be uniform, as approved by the United Lutheran Church.

(2) We call attention to the request of the National Lutheran Council that its support from January 1, 1923, be provided by the general bodies represented in it, and, believing that the Church desires the continuance of this agency and is much benefited by it, we recommend that it be given a place on the Budget. We also believe that such support should be continued to the Federal Council of Churches as may be determined by the Executive Board, but that this item should be covered as provided in item (i) of the Financial Plan. Believing that a most important work confronts the Parish and Church School Board, provision for which must be made, that Board is given a place on the new Budget effective in 1924.

(3) We reaffirm our belief that the eleemosynary institutions now on our Budget should be gradually transferred to Synodical support and are glad to report that good progress is being made in this direction.

(4) Your Committee recommends the presentation of the following budgets to the coming convention with the endorsement of your Board:

A—For the month of December, 1922, at the same rate as the present biennium;

B—For the apportionment year 1923:

Board of	Amount	Percentage
Foreign Missions	$525,000	31.21
Home Missions and Church Extension	475,000	28.24
Northwestern Missions	50,000	2.97
Immigrants' Missions	40,000	2.38
West Indies Missions	60,000	3.57
Jewish Missions	11,000	.65
Education	150,000	8.92
Inner Missions	14,000	.83
Ministerial Relief	200,000	11.89
Deaconess Work	35,000	2.08
National Home for the Aged	20,000	1.19
Tabitha Home	20,000	1.19
Lowman Home	5,000	.30
National Lutheran Council	20,000	1.19
U. L. C. Treasury	57,000	3.39
	$1,682,000	100.00

C—For the apportionment years 1924 and 1925:

Board of	Amount	Percentage
Foreign Missions	$565,000	31.14
Home Missions and Church Extension	475,000	26.18
Northwestern Missions	60,000	3.31
Immigrants' Missions	48,000	2.64
West Indies Mission	70,000	3.86
Jewish Missions	16,000	.88
Education	160,000	8.82
Parish and Church School	10,000	.55
Inner Missions	18,000	.99
Ministerial Relief	220,000	12.12

Board of	Amount	Percentage
Deaconess Work	$40,000	2.20
National Home for the Aged	20,000	1.10
Tabitha Home	15,000	.83
Lowman Home	5,000	.28
National Lutheran Council	20,000	1.10
American Bible Society	2,500	.14
U. L. C. Treasury	70,000	3.86
	$1,814,500	100.00

(5) We present the following rates for annuity bonds as being reasonable and proper with the recommendation that Boards be given authority to make lower rates when requested to do so by the annuitants:

Single Life Annuity Rates.

Age	Rate Per Cent.
50	5.9
51	5.9
52	6.0
53	6.0
54	6.1
55	6.1
56	6.2
57	6.2
58	6.3
59	6.4
60	6.5
61	6.6
62	6.7
63	6.8
64	6.9
65	7.0
66	7.1
67	7.2
68	7.3
69	7.4
70	7.5
71	7.7
72	7.9
73	8.1
74	8.3
75	8.5
76	8.7
77	9.0
78	9.3
79	9.6
80	10.0

IX. MISCELLANEOUS

1—*Harrisburg Church Case.*

At the meeting of the Executive Board, November 10, 1921, the President reported a decision which had been rendered in the case of the Church of the Holy Communion, Harrisburg, Pa. This Church, from its beginning had been in connection with the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. After

the merger in 1918 the Pastor, together with a portion of the congregation, formally withdrew from the Ministerium and The United Lutheran Church in America and claimed possession and use of the Church property. That portion of the congregation with its officers remaining loyal to the United Lutheran Church contested this claim in the courts. The decision was favorable to them and to the United Lutheran Church. The President further stated that an appeal had been taken to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania where the case still pends. The decision is on file in the office of the President.

Officers of the Church of the Holy Communion in whose favor the decision had been given requested that the remuneration of the attorneys, to the amount of $1,000, be arranged for by the United Lutheran Church. The request was referred to the Finance Committee with authority.

2—Lay Service in the Church.

The Executive Board felt itself called upon to give serious consideration to the question of how to provide places of service in the Church for qualified men and women who desire to devote themselves to such service. The following report of the officers to whom this question was referred was approved:

This problem has come to the Executive Board's attention in various forms. Articles and editorials have appeared in *The Lutheran.* Secretaries of Boards (especially Rev. Freas of the Inner Mission Board and Miss Markley of the Board of Education) have personally stated their distressing difficulties. Formal appeals were presented by the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society and by a representative gathering of students in Pennsylvania. The subject was referred to the officers of the Church for investigation and recommendation.

We have made extensive inquiry and have especially held lengthy conferences with the two secretaries mentioned.

The situation is that there are many educated and trained people, who say that the Church has through its pulpits and otherwise been calling for consecrated lives in service and that they are ready. Wheresoever they may apply in our Church, few places are to be found for them. At least seventy-five individuals have been tabulated, and others could be added. This does not include ministers who are without a charge, which difficulty belongs to the Presidents of Constituent Synods and ought to have their special consideration. There are some laymen on the list, but the greater proportion consists of women. A number are college graduates and a number also have taken courses of Christian training (including our Mother-houses' special course).

We believe that in this report we can helpfully discuss the situation and draw some promising recommendations by presenting some of the suggestions we have heard in the course of our investigation. The suggestions are given under capital letters. Our recommendations are numbered in parentheses.

A. Many of the women who apply might and should become Deaconesses. No doubt there is some truth in this suggestion. It is helpful to know that one of the applicants on the list did enter one of our Motherhouses. The Church must exalt the Deaconess calling. It is probably the truest picture of consecrated Christian service which we possess. Its loss would be almost a calamity to the Church. No finer appeal could come to a Christian woman. It must always be urged by those who receive appeals upon the prayerful consideration of those who wish to serve.

In the course of our investigation, however, some facts concerning the Deaconess service came to our attention, which we offer with a recommendation. Among our Deaconesses there is a surprising scarcity both of college graduates and of the daughters of ministers. The objections which young women are commonly raising against the Diaconate may all be summed up in the one objection that it imposes too great a limitation upon individual freedom. Four specifications of such limitation may be noted: a, The assignment to fields of labor without choice by the individual Deaconess; b, The implication never to marry; c, The absence of any arrangement for support through salary; d, The use of the garb. We believe heartily that the objections are wholly misconceived. Nevertheless we believe that the Church should openly hear them, and we definitely,

Recommend (1) That the Deaconess Board be requested to prepare a brief, attractive *study course* upon the Diaconate in which these objections will have special attention. Also that that Board regularly use a Deaconess for presentation of the Diaconate before the Church and before congregations.

B. If the Church cannot place these applicants in its so-called direct service, they should enter other callings in life, recognizing that a Christian may fully serve His Lord in and through any worthy work.

The strength of this suggestion must not be ignored. There is great necessity that Christians recognize that every proper occupation of life's activity may be holy and that it should be hallowed by them. "Let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide *with God.*" A man may work with God in any calling. This beauty of holiness for all the world's work should be emphasized to every disappointed applicant. On the other hand, the Church must recognize that these men and women have heard the Church's appeal for the consecration of their lives to service for the Church, that they have fitted themselves by education and training, and that if we cannot use them they are faced with tempting inducements to serve elsewhere. Various denominations would welcome them, organizations like the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. want them, and Social Service opportunities are presented to them. They wish to serve in their own Church and definitely for their Church. We ought to think long before we answer them merely with the suggestion mentioned just above.

C. A third suggestion which has been heard is practically an objection to the use by the Church of various "orders" of workers in addition to

Pastors, Deaconesses, etc. It is asserted that additional trained and full-time leaders in congregations and in the Church at Large would result in checking "volunteer" service on the part of the members. In answer to this objection it should be sufficient to point to the many kinds of offices in the early Christian Church.

It may be added that those leaders have not been properly trained and do not understand their place who assume the tasks which belong to the people. Even pastors in some instances sin against the interests of their congregations in this respect. All true leaders are inspirers and guides in Christian service to the people, patiently leading them onward upon this way.

D. A fourth suggestion is also in the nature of a criticism, since it stresses that some of the applicants have not received training under Lutheran influence and are not fitted for service in Lutheran congregations and institutions.

The question at once arises as to whether we have made any provisions whereby Lutheran training can be secured. We find after searching the entire field that financial provision for the training of workers is beginning to be made. The Baltimore Motherhouse has scholarships for its one-year course. The Board of Education has the beginnings of a scholarship and loan fund. At least two Synods are ready to assist women in preparation for service just as all Synods assist students for the ministry. Several of our Boards and the Women's Missionary Society provide for the special training of missionaries. The Laymen's Missionary Movement hopes to assist in general the training of men and women. All of this, however, is of a financial character only.

We find in addition that the Mt. Airy Seminary published in its July, 1921, Bulletin a magnificent and complete plan for the establishment of two distinct schools in addition to the Seminary and under the same control. One would be a school for practical workers, the other a school of missions. Its Board has approved the entire plan. At present this is merely on paper, awaiting sufficient funds or the development of other possibilities. The Deaconess Board is also looking forward in its educational plans.

In actual existence for training purposes we find only the following. Chairs of Bible instruction in some of our colleges. Certain courses on religious education in Wittenberg College. Local efforts (New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Minneapolis, etc.) of limited character to provide helpful training to congregational workers. The various Summer Assemblies. The special one-year course at the Baltimore Motherhouse, with something similar which we understand the Philadelphia Motherhouse is prepared to offer.

The only training course, therefore, which we possess and which can be counted as at all adequate is the one-year provision of of the Motherhouses. Even its warmest friends regard it merely as an important step towards desirable ends. It has annually fitted a number of our women, and through them, blessed our congregations and mission operations. Why

shall we criticise the lack of Lutheran training on the part of some of the applicants for service when we have so little to offer? The incongruity of our situation is startlingly revealed by the fact that one woman, anxious for training, is now taking a special course at the Gettysburg Seminary among all the students for the ministry who are there. We strongly

Recommend, (2), That the Philadelphia Seminary and other Seminaries considering similar projects press their plans to reality, seeking diligently for the opportunity of an early beginning thereof.

Recommend, (3), That the Deaconess Motherhouses, while not minimizing the glory of the regular Diaconate, emphasize and widen the purpose of their special courses.

E. The final suggestion recognizes that the Church may properly appeal to the people to consider the stewardship of life and personally to consecrate their lives. It recognizes that at least some of these applicants have made no mistake in believing that they have heard an inner call to service. It suggests that the reason why the Church is not giving definite outer calls to these applicants is that the Church has not in some respects fully conceived its task. The result of our consideration of this suggestion is to justify it. This justification contemplates no berating of the Church for its failures. We simply present for earnest consideration some particular possibilities as concerns congregations, communities, Synods and U. L. C. A. If followed, they will result in definite calls for all worthy applicants.

a. *Congregations.* As a specific matter, we believe that some congregations arrange for the service of secretaries and other workers, without knowledge that Rev. Freas and Miss Markley have lists of the kind mentioned. In general, however, we call attention to the statement in the President's report to the Washington Convention of the U. L. C. A. (Minutes, p. 34), "Do the works of evangelizing, teaching and loving service receive equal attention in the congregations? Might we not properly say that a congregation of ordinarily large membership really needs three directors? In addition to the Pastor, who will naturally be in general charge and who will especially direct evangelistic efforts, should there not be, under him, a teacher (educational director; man or woman) for the educational work and a Parish Deaconess (or other Parish worker) for guidance of the work of serving love. Does not a congregation's or a Pastor's failure to feel the need of these indicate a failure to recognize the congregation's whole task?" The existence of week-day schools for religious instruction will alone necessitate calls for the service of many applicants. Our next recommendation will cover these matters concerning congregations.

b. *Communities.* Where individual congregations are not ready for the full service of special workers, a group of congregations could gain much by the united use of a Secretary, teacher, Parish worker, etc. In general, there is an evident lack of a community sense and of a community responsibility on the part of our congregations in communities. The individuality and

the recluse life of congregations is reprehensibly strong in many places. Congregations do not work together. We do not know of any town or city where the Inner Mission endeavors of our united congregations is fully satisfactory. Our Inner Mission Board is ready with literature and active assistance for community efforts. All of these would necessitate additional workers. Our next recommendation will likewise cover these matters.

c. *Constituent Synods.* Use might be made of the plans for licensure, year after year, not merely for Seminary students but for others whom a Synod is not prepared to ordain. The plans for Synodical lay-readers prepared by the Inner Mission Board deserve the study of every Synod. There are positions in institutions, community societies, etc., to which invariably ministers are called but for which laymen might profitably be considered; this consideration would likewise assist the shortage of Pastors. In general, Synods might profitably consider their missionary and merciful responsibility to groups uncared for within their states, e. g., migrant workers, special industrial groups, mountain folks, etc. In these instances very often ministers are not needed so much as teachers, colporteurs, etc. Synods must not be content merely with the planting of institutions of mercy. There are those who need the Gospel, old and young, in homes and hovels everywhere on the territory.

To cover all that has been stated concerning congregations, communities, and Synods, we

Recommend (4), That all Synods be urged either at their own meetings or at the next meetings of their conferences, to discuss this report and also pages 32 to 40 of the Minutes of the Washington Convention of the U. L. C. A., passing the study also to the Pastors for consideration in their congregations.

d. *The United Lutheran Church in America.* What has been said hitherto applies in general to the Church as a whole. We need a fuller conception of the task Christ has assigned to us. We need, for instance, to give the word missionary its glorious ring in our hearts. We have cramped our life by continual stress upon "Lutheran material" in missionary operations, and have lost the vim which comes from remembering the power of the Gospel to convert men. Without believing that we can specify all items of desirable activity and without attempting to designate particular agencies of the Church for the definite tasks, we

Recommend (5), That all Boards, Committees and Societies be asked to consider such possibilties as the following, whereby calls to workers in addition to ministers will result.

The employment of lay readers and other laymen.

The use of Seminary students during vacations.

The use of Deaconesses in missionary operations.

The general use of colporteurs.

Missionary operations planned without the necessary consequence that congregations are to be established, but purely because groups (perhaps

temporarily located) are found which need the teaching of the Gospel and loving service.

Further work among immigrant groups, supplementing the efforts of a Pastor by using laymen and women at strategic places.

The training of workers in all languages at our own institutions.

The use of women as representatives of the Church in educational centers where there are large groups of Lutheran women students.

The use by the Motherhouses of the list of applicants mentioned at the beginning of this report in all cases where a Deaconess has been requested but cannot be furnished.

3—*Third Convention.*

Having received a most cordial invitation to hold the Third Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America in Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Buffalo, N. Y., the Executive Board accepted the invitation and with the most hearty co-operation of the Pastor and other members of the congregation arranged for this Convention. Provision has been made through the co-operation of the Rev. A. L. Dillenbeck and local committees for exhibits by Synods, Boards and other agencies of the Church.

Arrangements were made also for Conventions of the General Synod, General Council and the United Synod in the South at two o'clock, P. M., on Tuesday, October 17, 1922. They were so advised and instructions were given them as to their powers in the merger and where necessary as to special actions to be taken by them.

Thus in order, and with the fulness which was required by the nature of the matters with which we have had to deal, we have laid before you in this report the record of the Second Biennium.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

(Signed) F. H. KNUBEL, *President.*
M. G. G. SCHERER, *Secretary.*
E. CLARENCE MILLER, *Treasurer.*

Actions on the Executive Board's Report assembled with references.—Secretary.

I. B. Adopted. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)

I. D. Adopted. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)

I. F. 1. Adopted. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)

1. F. 2. Item 1, a and b. (See recommendations 2 and 3 of the Report of the Special Committee on Northwestern Seminary, Wednesday morning, October 25.)

I. F. 2. Item 2, a, b and c. Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)

I. F. 2. Item 2, (d). Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)

I. F. 3. (a). Adopted. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)

I. F. 3. (b). Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
II. A. 2. Adopted. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)
II. B. Approved. (Wednesday morning, October 18.)
III. A. 3. Not approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
III. B. 2. a. Approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
III. B. 2. c. Approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
III. B. 6. Approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
III. B. 13. Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
III. C. 2. Adopted. (Tuesday afternoon, October 24.)
IV. 4. Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
V. 4. For disposition of this item see action on recommendation 5 of Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council (Monday afternoon, October 23), and on the Budgets for 1923 and 1924-25 (Executive Board's Report VIII, 6, (4), B and C).
VII. B. 1 and 2. Approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
VII. B. 3. Concerning Federal Council of the Churches:
Section V. A. Recommendations 1 and 2. Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
Section V. B. Recommendation approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
Section V. C. 1. (1) and (2). Concerning Local Councils or Federations. Approved. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
Section V. C. 1. (3). Adopted as amended. (Wednesday afternoon, October 18.)
Section V. C. 2. Adopted. (Thursday morning, October 19.)
VII. B. 4. Concerning World Conference on Faith and Order, and Universal Conference on Life and Work. Approved. (Thursday morning, October 19 and Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
VIII. 6. (1) Financial Plan, items a-m. Adopted. (Thursday morning, October 19.)
VIII. 6. (2). Adopted. (Thursday morning, October 19.)
VIII. 6. (3). Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
VIII. 6. (4) A. Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
VIII. 6. (4) B and C. Adopted as amended. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
VIII. 6. (5). Adopted. (Thursday morning, October 19.)
IX. 1. (See Minutes, Thursday morning, October 19.)
IX. 2. Recommendations adopted. (Thursday morning, October 19.)
IX. 3. (See Minutes, Thursday morning, October 19 and Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)
The Report as a whole adopted Wednesday afternoon, October 25.

The action of the Executive Board concerning voting privileges of Advisory Members of Boards (I, B) was adopted.

The vote of thanks recommended by the Executive Board to

the Committee which conducted the Chicago Seminary investigation was adopted. (See report I, D.)

The resolutions 1 and 2 concerning the Chicago Theological Seminary at the conclusion of the section (D) referring to the said Seminary were approved.

The Report of the Survey Commission to the Northwest, Pacific Coast and Western Canada was then taken up. The Executive Board's recommendation concerning the order for the consideration of this matter (F. 3 (a)) was adopted. Thereupon item 1 of the actions of the Executive Board (F. 1) was adopted.

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht offered the following resolution as a substitute for a motion to adopt resolutions a and b under F. 2. Item 1.:

In view of the fact that the Executive Board took the following action as recorded on page 18 of the Bulletin of this Convention, namely,

"That inasmuch as we have found that there is a division of opinion within the Synod of the Northwest on the question of the removal of the (Northwestern) Seminary, this Board does not deem it wise to take action now concerning the proposed removal lest it might prejudice the action of the Synod:"

And in view of the fact that since that action was taken, the Synod of the Northwest has in convention resolved to remove Northwestern Seminary from Fargo, N. D., to Minneapolis, Minn., and that said Seminary is now located there;

Therefore be it resolved, That this Convention now approve the establishment of Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary at Minneapolis, Minn., on the ground of missionary necessity.

Pending the discussion the Convention adjourned to meet at two o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Stump having the floor.

The Rev. J. C. Kunzman led in prayer.

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Afternoon Session

Wednesday, October 18, 2:00 o'clock.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. Chas. D. Trexler.

The Acting President was in the Chair.

Reading of the Minutes was deferred.

The Rev. Dr. Bacon, Moderator of the Synod of New York, was introduced and addressed the Convention conveying the greetings of that body to the United Lutheran Church and ex-

pressing deep appreciation of the faithfulness of the Lutheran Church to the Word of God. Upon request of the President, Dr. Clutz made response on behalf of the Convention.

The resolution offered by the Rev. G. K. Rubrecht at the Morning Session being the order of business, the Rev. J. Stump continued his remarks. On motion the resolution under discussion was referred to a special committee of fifteen appointed by the Chair to take into consideration the whole question concerning the Northwestern Seminary.

Committee:

Rev. F. F. Fry, Chm.
Rev. J. O. Simon
Rev. E. A. Tappert
Rev. A. L. Benze
Rev. J. J. Scherer
Rev. Luther Kuhlman
Rev. O. T. Nicholas
Rev. L. C. Manges
Mr. W. C. Davis
Dr. H. C. Hoffman
Mr. A. H. Kohn
Mr. W. L. Glatfelter
Mr. James M. Snyder
Mr. E. F. Eilert
Mr. Harry T. Domer

Consideration of the Report of the Survey Commission in Executive Board's Report was resumed. Under F, Item 2 (a) concerning Special Matters was adopted. Item 2 (b) adopted. Item 2 (c) adopted. Item 2 (d), first part, was referred to a Special Committee of Twelve.

Committee:

Rev. John Weidley, Chm.
Rev. C. W. Leitzell
Rev. G. H. Schnur
Rev. H. W. A. Hanson
Rev. R. Neumann
Rev. C. E. Gardner
Rev. A. B. MacIntosh
Rev. G. F. Gehr
Mr. I. M. Mellinger
Mr. A. R. Nissly
Mr. H. B. Belmer
Hon. J. W. King

On motion the recommendations of the Executive Board concerning ad interim elections (III, A, 3) was taken from the table.

A motion to adopt the first recommendation was lost and thereupon the President ruled recommendations 2 and 3 out of order and stated that recommendation 4 was covered by the Constitution and By-Laws.

III, B, 2, a, concerning amendment to the Constitution of the Board of Foreign Missions, was approved.

The part of the report (III, B, 2, c) concerning a United Christian College in India was postponed until the same matter is reached in the report of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Amendment to Article III, Section 4 of the Constitution of the West Indies Mission Board (III, B, 6) was ratified.

III, B, 13, concerning the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, adopted.

III, C, 2, concerning the Common Service Book Committee, deferred until after the report of that Committee.

IV, 4, concerning study of the spheres of the several Boards, was adopted.

V, 4, concerning the National Lutheran Council, was deferred until after the report of our Commissioners to the Council.

VII, B concerning Interdenominational Agencies and Organizations; Sections 1 and 2 approved.

VII, B, 3. Next was taken up that part of the Report of the Executive Board concerning relations with the Federal Council of Churches.

The recommendation under Section V concerning co-operation was approved.

Section V, A, recommendations 1 and 2 approved.

Section V, B, recommendation approved.

Section V, C, 1 (1) and (2) concerning Local Councils or Federations, approved.

Section V, C, 1, (3). On motion of Dr. C. M. Jacobs, the words "without becoming members of them," immediately following "Councils or Federations" in next to the last line, were ordered stricken out and the clause was adopted as amended.

The Rev. J. L. Morgan, Chairman of the Committee to nominate members of the Executive Board reported.

The session closed with prayer by the Rev. L. M. Zimmerman.

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Evening Service

Wednesday evening a Choral Vesper Service, arranged by the Committee on Church Music, was held. The theme of the Service was the life of Christ and of His Church as unfolded in the Festivals and Seasons of the Church Year.

A carefully selected series of Lessons, hymns and choir numbers carried the theme in harmonious progression from the Old Testament prophecies through the life and teaching of our Lord to the culmination of the Divine plan in the Life Everlasting. The hymns, which followed every lesson, enabled the congregation to have an important part in the development of the theme. The tunes, for the most part, were chosen from the less familiar melodies of all periods in the Common Service Book. The choir, in addition to leading the congregation, rendered a number of standard motettes and anthems by Russian, Austrian, English and American composers.

The Service was read by the Rev. Gomer C. Rees, D.D. Mr. Leon Trick conducted the well-balanced chorus of fifty voices, with Mr. Harold E. Kuhn, organist. A noteworthy feature was the heartiness with which the congregation, which crowded the large church to the doors, participated in the deeply devotional and yet highly artistic Service.

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SECOND MEETING

Morning Session

Thursday, October 19, 8:45.

The Rev. E. A. Trabert conducted the Devotional Service.

President Burgess called the Convention to order.

The Secretary read the following telegram:

Please tell Convention that in the disappointment and loneliness of my position their words and prayers are balm and strength. God's ways for His own are always peace. Glad to say that consultation of physicians just advises I can probably go Sunday if necessary. Signed: F. H. KNUBEL.

The Minutes of Wednesday morning session were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. H. E. Jacobs it was ordered that academic degrees be given in the roll of the Convention but that they be omitted from the Minutes.

Executive Board's report, Statement Concerning Federal Council of Churches, recommendations (V, C, 2) adopted.

The action concerning World Conference on Faith and Order

and the Universal Conference on Life and Work as reported by the Executive Board was approved.

Section VIII, 6 (Financial System).

(1) Items of the Financial Plan a-m were adopted.

(2) Adopted.

(3) Adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)

(4) A. Adopted. B and C (budget items) deferred until after considering the Reports of the Boards. (For action see Minutes, Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)

(5) Annuities. Adopted.

IX. Miscellaneous.

1. At the request of the Convention, Dr. H. E. Jacobs made a statement of the facts and findings in the Harrisburg Church Case.

2. Recommendations adopted.

On motion IX, 3 was referred to the Committee of Reference and Counsel for proper resolutions. (See Minutes Wednesday afternoon, October 25.)

Supplementary Report of the Executive Board

At a meeting of the Executive Board held in Buffalo, N. Y., October 20, 1922, it was resolved to recommend the following action to the Convention:

a. After consultation with representatives of the Board of Foreign Missions it was agreed that said Board will offer a revised recommendation for the action of the Convention as follows:

> Resolved, That while we recognize our right to make special appeals to congregations and individuals for the work of our board, yet we ask for the special endorsement of this Convention of an appeal which we propose making for $300,000.00 to remove the deficit of our current fund and extend our work in the Mission Field.

The Executive Board recommends the adoption of such endorsement when presented by the Board of Foreign Missions.

b. The Executive Board requests the Convention to rescind its action placing the American Bible Society on the budget for 1 per cent of the total, and recommends that they be placed on for $2,500 for the years 1924 and 1925.

c. In the case of the request of the Northwestern Mission Board for an increased apportionment, the matter was referred to the Budget Committee.

d. Upon the representation of the executives of the Synods of Canada and Central Canada, that an early merger of these bodies is contemplated,

and a serious question in said merger is the support of their Missions—the missions of the one being now supported by the Northwestern Mission Board and those of the other by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of The United Lutheran Church—your Executive Board recommends that the Convention ask these respective Boards to co-operate and assist in the accomplishment of this merger.

c. A copy of an agreement between The United Lutheran Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Czecho-Slovakia, similar in all respects, except a few inconsequential details, to the Agreement consummated with the Lutheran Church in Hungary is presented to this Convention for approval, with the suggestion that its execution be referred to the Executive Board for the completion of details.

f. The Board requested the Rev. J. A. Clutz to draft and present to the Convention such expression as the Church should make in answer to the cry of the nations.

g. Resolved, That the budget of the Executive Board be increased by $7,000 per annum, in addition to the amount reported.

h. We recommend that, with the exception of the changes in the items for the American Bible Society and for the Executive Board, the budgets presented by the Board be maintained.

i. We recommend the adoption of the Constitution presented by the Laymen's Movement; and instruct the Executive Board to work out the details of co-operation provided in said Constitution.

k. The Executive Board asks the Convention for instructions and power to effect the merger of Boards of The United Lutheran Church, if found practicable.

l. In the matter of the resolutions covering the undertaking of mission operations in Eastern Europe and Western Asia, the Executive Board commends them to the favorable action of The United Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD,
W. D. C. Keiter, Secretary pro tem.

Items a, b, c, d and e adopted.

Item f, received as information.

Item g, adopted.

Item h, laid on the table.

Item i, adopted.

Item k, recommitted to the Executive Board.

Item l, adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole.

The Report of the Commission of Adjudication was presented by Dr. H. E. Jacobs, Chairman of the Commission.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION

The Commission of Adjudication respectfully reports that up to the time of the preparation of this report two meetings of the Commission have been held, one at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, July 12, 1921, and the second in Pittsburgh, Pa., April 19, 1922. A third meeting will be held at Buffalo on the day preceding the convention of the United Lutheran Church. There being no business to call for a meeting in January, 1921, by unanimous consent it was not held. For like reason it was decided to hold the second meeting for the present year on the day preceding the convention at Buffalo of your honored body. At the last meeting in Pittsburgh every member of the Commission elected by the last convention of the United Church was present with the exception of the greatly revered and much lamented Dr. D. H. Bauslin, Vice-President of the Commission, concerning whose departure the following minute, proposed by the Rev. Dr. L. A. Fox, was unanimously adopted:

Resolutions of Appreciation and Condolence on the Death of Professor David H. Bauslin, D.D., LL.D.

Presented by Professor L. A. Fox, D.D., LL.D.

Since our last meeting our colleague, Doctor Bauslin, has gone to our eternal home. Born in Winchester, Va., in 1853, reared in Western Maryland and educated in Wittenberg College, from which he graduated in 1876, he was ordained in 1878. He was pastor successively in Tippecanoe City, Bucyrus, Springfield and Canton, Ohio. He was elected Professor of Ecclesiastical History in Hamma Divinity School in 1896, and then Dean in 1911. In addition to his Seminary duties he wrote extensively for Lutheran periodicals. His most important work yet published is "The Lutheran Movement in the Sixteenth Century." For years he was a prominent leader in the General Synod. As editor of the "Lutheran World" his influence was wide and deep for conservative Lutheranism and contributed largely to the preparation for the United Lutheran Church in America.

At the creation of our Commission of Adjudication he was one of the original members. He was always present at its meetings. Later, by unanimous action of the Commission, he was elected its Vice-President. In his seventieth year, on March 3, 1922, he suddenly fell on that deeper sleep we call death and was gathered unto his fathers. The indomitably busy man rests from his labors and his work for years to come will follow him. Therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby express our profound appreciation of his eminent abilities as a successful teacher, eloquent preacher, learned scholar, safe counselor, devoted friend and consecrated Churchman.

Resolved, That we bear glad testimony to his beautiful Christian life, simple, unselfish, retiring, trustful, looking not upon his own things, but always upon the things of others.

Resolved, That we hereby record how sadly we miss him.

Resolved, That a copy of this memoir be spread upon our records and another copy be sent with our very great sympathy to the bereaved family.

In place of Dr. Bauslin, Dr. A. G. Voigt was elected Vice-President.

To fill the vacancy in the Commission occasioned by his decease, Dr. R. E. Tulloss, President of Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, was unanimously nominated. This nomination was promptly confirmed by the Executive Board.

In its two meetings above mentioned, the attention of the Commission has been occupied chiefly with the consideration of several questions committed to it for advice by the President of the United Lutheran Church. In the close and continued study of the Constitution which the members of the Commission have felt it their duty to make, both as individuals and in the sessions of the Commission, they have been convinced that it is entirely within the power of the Commission to give an answer to the President or the Executive Board when formally requested to do so, upon Constitutional questions, with the understanding that the advice of the Commission does not relieve those to whom it is given from the responsibility of decision which is theirs according to the Constitution. Such advice is herewith reported for the information of your honored body:

I. The first matter concerned a question of the practical application of principles of our Lutheran Church as to Church organization with reference to the congregational membership of ministers who are not pastors of congregations. The result of the deliberation of the Commission was as follows:

1. Every pastor is not only an officer, but a member of the congregation over which he is placed.
2. Where the pastoral relation is sundered, membership within the congregation last served remains until a formal transfer be made to another congregation.
3. Ministers whose ministerial standing is dependent on their administration of general Church interests, and pastors temporarily, or who, by reason of age or other disablement, are without pastoral charge, being as members of the Synod subject to Synodical authority, may be transferred from one congregation to another by the President of the Synod, upon his testimonial given to the congregation to which the transfer is made, and also of information of such act transmitted by said President to the pastor or congregation from which the transfer has been made.
4. The congregational membership of the President of a Synod shall be determined by his own personal judgment; the understanding being that any congregation within the Synod which has elected him to office as Chief Executive will require no further testimonial for his admission as a member than his personal application to be so enrolled; and that notice served by him of his withdrawal from the congregation he has hitherto served, or from which he is about to withdraw, shall be regarded as the honorable method of terminating said relation with a particular congregation, in order that he may be better able to serve the Synod to which both the President and the congregation belong.

This advice, it may be explained, rests entirely upon the assumption that every minister bears a twofold relation and responsibility. He is charged with a twofold office, one arising from his relation to a particular congregation and the other from his relation to the entire Church, which in his ordination has entrusted him with a special commission and office. He

stands alongside of every other member of a particular congregation as a Church member, but his call to the ministry, witnessed to by his ordination, has made him also a representative of the entire Church, in addition to the responsibility for the particular field with which he is specially charged.

II. The second question presented for advice refers to the Constitutionality of an amendment to the By-Laws of the United Lutheran Church in America submitted at the last Convention at Washington and approved by a vote that was sufficient for its enactment if other provisions of the Constitution did not forbid.

The amendment in question was recommended to the Washington Convention by its Committee of Reference and Counsel (see Minutes, p. 208) and was passed by more than a two-thirds vote (p. 213), viz. :

That Item 4 of Subsection B, Section V of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows: "No member of any Board shall be eligible for more than two successive terms; and no person shall be a member of more than one Board at one and the same time; provided that, in the event of any person being elected to more than one Board, said person shall have the privilege of choosing which Board he shall serve upon."

The effect of this amendment was to change the provision of the By-Law proposed to be amended from: "No person shall be a member of more than two Boards at one and the same time" to "No person shall be a member of more than one Board at one and the same time."

Had not the Constitution as well as the By-Laws made provision of a similar kind, there could have been no question as to the validity of the action. But the language of the Constitution, Article XIII, Section 3, is precisely the same as that of the original of the By-Law which it was proposed to amend. "No person," says the Constitution, "shall be a member of more than two Boards at one and the same time."

The question submitted by the President was in substance as to whether, when both the Constitution and the By-Laws contain the same provision, an amendment to the By-Laws be sufficient to effect a change. The Constitution was adopted by all the Synods as the basis of their relations with one another. It is a solemn compact, unalterable except through a clearly defined process, insuring deliberateness of action. Besides the approval of a convention of this body, it requires the concurrence of two-thirds of the constituent Synods. With respect to the By-Laws, on the other hand, the express stipulation is made that only such By-Laws are to be adopted as do not conflict with the Constitution (Article XV, Section 1). Unless the conformity of a proposed amendment to a By-Law can be proved to be beyond all question without contradiction to the Constitution, it is out of place. When the Constitution says: "No person shall be a member of more than two Boards at one and the same time," it seems to guarantee to every Convention of this body the right to elect the same person to two Boards, and to every one thus elected the right to serve on two Boards.

Can an amendment to the By-Laws withdraw such right either from the Convention of this body or from any individual so elected?

For such reasons, the Commission, after much deliberation, came to the unanimous opinion that the amendment was uncontstitutional, and so advised the President. Especial mention must be made in this connection of a long and exhaustive brief on the subject prepared by the Clerk of the Commission, the Hon. E. K. Strong, which has so thoroughly discussed the legal questions connected with the organization of the United Lutheran Church as to make it a document of permanent value.

The above report has been submitted to every member of the Commission and has been unanimously approved.

HENRY E. JACOBS, *President.*

Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 under I were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Clutz moved to adopt as a whole the deliverance concerning the congregational membership of ministers who are not pastors of congregations with this addition; that this adoption by the Convention shall be understood as carrying with it only explanatory and advisory force and not as being mandatory. The motion was carried.

II. Concerning Amendment to By-Laws. This part of the report was ordered spread upon the Minutes as information.

Permisison was given to the Commission to submit a Supplementary Report concerning an Appeal of the Maryland Synod. Dr. Tulloss who acted as the Secretary of the Commission presented this part of the report.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE COMMISSION OF ADJUDICATION; ON THE APPEAL FROM THE MARYLAND SYNOD

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Maryland, at its annual convention held in Manchester, Md., May 29-31, 1922, directed a committee to present to the Commission of Adjudication of The United Lutheran Church a preamble and certain resolutions, which contain a petition that The Commission of Adjudication give an authoritative interpretation of the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America as far as pertains to certain articles and sections named in the petition.

We desire to record our appreciation of the spirit in which the petition of the Maryland Synod was presented, as indicated by various statements in the petition itself and in the letter accompanying it.

Inasmuch as the petition comes to us in the form of an appeal from one of the Synods of the United Lutheran Church, the Commission accepts it for consideration and action under the provisions of Art. XII, Sec. 1, of the Constitution, and in accordance with the construction of the constitutional pro-

visions for the government of this Commission, stated on page 113, Minutes of the 2nd Convention of the United Lutheran Church.

Inasmuch as the petition is not in the nature of an appeal from a former judgment, but is a request for an interpretation of the Constitution, the Commission of Adjudication regards the question involved as a question of principle and a matter of interpretation, and for this reason deems no formal hearing of any parties necessary.

Further, inasmuch as the petition states an interpretation of certain sections of the Constitution, it seems to the Commission of Adjudication that its duty in the premises is to review that interpretation and to correct it as far as it appears to it to be incorrect.

The first item in the petition* states as deductions from Art. III, Sec. 4, 5, and 6 of the Constitution (1) that "the power resides in the convention of the delegates that form the convention of the United Lutheran Church," and further (2) that "no provision is made in the Constitution for the exercise of any initiative or for the use of any power, which has not been delegated by the convention to certain Boards or Commissions."

Statement No. 1 is not correct without qualification. The convention of delegates is, subject to the provisions of the Constitution, the supreme Administrative Power of the United Lutheran Church. The power of each convention is indeed great, but there is that which is still greater, viz., the United Lutheran Church itself, and the Constitution as a contract between the members of the congregations in Synods uniting in the Body. Everything connected with the work of the Church would be left in uncertainty and doubt if "mutual agreements" in order to be binding, needed to be renewed biennially.

Against such contingency, the stability of the general Body is assured by several safeguards. One is that no convention by itself has the power to amend the Constitution. (Art. XV, Sec. 2.) This cannot be done without a vote of two-thirds of the Synods in approval of the change. Another is the continuity of the Boards, whose members are elected for terms of service exceeding two years. A third is the designation (Art. IX, Sec. 1)of the officers not as officers of any "convention" but as President, Secretary, and Treasurer of "The United Lutheran Church in America," and the assigning to them of duties in the interim.

It therefore follows that certain powers of judgment and action reside in agencies constituted by the Church for carrying on its work in the interim between the biennial sessions of the convention.

Statement No. 2 above, quoted from the petition, contains an implication which is not correct. That implication is that no initiative or power can be exercised by Boards or Commissions without express instruction by a previous convention. The exercise of some initiative and the use of some power have been delegated to the Executive Board, the Commission of Adjudication, and the departmental Boards by the Constitution itself. The limitation upon the exercise of such power and initiative lies in the provision that the Boards and the Commission mentioned must report to the next convention, where their acts are brought under the supreme power of the convention.

The second item has reference to the powers of the Executive Board. From the definition of the duty of this Board, as laid down in Art. XI, Sec. 3 of the Constitution, it is claimed in the petition that certain propositions hold good, which are here stated in the order in which they occur in the petition; to-wit:—

*The petition may be found in full on pages 64-66 of the minutes of the 103d annual convention of the Synod of Maryland.

1. That "these constitutional provisions have not been held to by the Executive Board in their proper limitations."

2. That "the power to attend to the business of the United Lutheran Church during the interim between its conventions means the carrying out of its resolutions and does not imply that the Executive Board is The United Lutheran Church in the interim for the execution of business."

3. That "no power is implied to initiate business, but only to attend to necessary actions."

4. That "the power to coordinate the work of the different departments and to receive reports as to the work and needs of the several Boards does not imply that the Executive Board is a super-Board, which shall constantly correct and control the other Boards."

5. That "no provision is made for control of the Boards such as is at present exercised when forward movements of the boards are prevented."

6. That "the whole character of the Executive Board is summed up in the words that it shall 'perform such other work as may be delegated to it by the general body.'"

7. That "the intent of Article XI is simply to provide a co-ordinating Board that shall keep in touch with what is going on, but shall not attempt to govern, control and determine the work of other Boards or their internal management."

In regard to these specifications, considered in the order given above, the Commission of Adjudication is of the opinion, as follows:—

1. Whether the Executive Board has held to the provisions of the Constitution "in their proper limitations" is a question which we do not feel we are called upon to decide. This is a question of fact, and not a question of interpretation of the Constitution. In so far as the latter question is involved, the point at issue is covered by other sections of this report.

2. We cannot concur in the interpretation that the clause in Art. XI, Sec. 3, "attend to its business during the interim" is the equivalent, and therefore only the reiteration in another form, of the clause immediately preceding, "carry out its resolutions." Here three items of duty are linked together: first, "to represent the United Lutheran Church;" second, "to carry out its resolutions," third, to "attend to its business." Manifestly it was the expectation, when the Constitution was framed, that business would arise during the interim between conventions, which no convention could foresee and provide for by resolutions, and which could not be deferred until the next convention. It was therefore made the duty of the Executive Board to attend to such business during the interim and at the next convention to submit its action for approval.

We agree with the statement that the Constitution "does not imply that the Executive Board is The United Luheran Church in the interim." However, it must not be overlooked that the Constitution charges the Executive Board with the duty of "representing" the United Lutheran Church, and designates it as one of the agencies by which its work is to carried on after the convention adjourns. (Cf. Art. VIII, Sec. 9).

3. We cannot concur in the view expressed in the petition that no power to initiate business is implied. Some power of initiative is inseparable from the discharge of any duty which the general Body may entrust to a Board or even to a committee. A Board or Committee is created for a certain object. It is clothed with power necessary to realize that object. It must then initiate measures and methods, policies and undertakings, to realize the object. Such initiative may, in certain cases, be dependent upon special resolutions adopted by a convention of the general Body, but it is not necessarily thus dependent in every case. For the Constitution itself may confer upon a Board powers which include initiative. This it has done in the case of the Executive Board.

Each departmental Board possesses such power of initiative within the limits of its particular sphere, provided always (1) that its actions are subject to the provisions of the Constitution; and (2) that, when its work impinges upon the work of other Boards, or relates itself to the general policy or work of the United Lutheran Church, its actions are subject to the co-ordinating power of the Executive Board.

It should be remembered, of course, that the acts of every Board and committee are subject to review by the convention of the general Body and require, for their full completion, the approval and ratification of such convention.

4. We heartily concur in the statement that the power to "co-ordinate the work of the executive departments" does not imply that the Executive Board is a "super-Board." The various Boards are competent within the spheres assigned to them in the Constitution and By-Laws. They cannot be considered merely as so many committees, acting under the authority of the Executive Board and amenable to it. Nevertheless, the Constitution confers upon the Executive Board a certain power to limit the action of other Boards. The duty to "co-ordinate the work of the executive departments" certainly implies the power to say when the work of different Boards conflicts and overlaps, and to distribute the work among the various Boards so that this shall not be the case; and it is evidently the duty of a Board to accept and act upon the determination of the limits of its power work, when it is made by the Executive Board. Moreover, the power to present a budget, according to the Constitution, lies with the Executive Board and this implies some power over the financial operations of other Boards, a power emphasized in the By-Laws, Section V, C, Item 4, by the provision that "No Board shall have the right to inaugurate a propaganda for the raising of funds, outside of its regular budget, without the consent of the Executive Board."

Further, the requirement of the By-Laws, Sec. V, C, Item 3, that "All Boards, Standing Committees and Commissions after each meeting shall furnish the Executive Board with a copy of their proceedings," and the statement that this is to be done "that said Executive Board may be thoroughly informed and qualified to co-ordinate the work of the entire body," plainly implies the regulative character of the relationship of the Executive Board to the departmental Boards.*

5. Whether forward movements of the Boards have been prevented by control over them on the part of the Executive Board is a question of fact, which we are not called upon to decide. But we cannot concur in the statement that no provision is made for such control of the Boards by the Executive Board, as would be involved in the withholding of sanction of a "forward movement," if in the judgment of the Executive Board such forward movement affected the work of other Boards or the general policy or work of the United Lutheran Church. (See Section 3 of this report.)

6. When it is said of the duty and function of the Executive Board that it is summed up in the words "perform such other work as may be delegated to it by the general Body," an interpretation of the Constitution is given, which the very language of the clause of the Constitution quoted will not bear out. The single word "other" is fatal to it. This word shows that the clause cited is not a summary of the duty of the Executive Board, but the statement of a part of its duty in addition to other parts mentioned

*Further indications of the power conferred upon the Executive Board are to be found in the constitutional provisions regarding the relation of the Executive Board to the Synods; (Cf. Art. VIII, Sec. 3; and Art. XIV, Sec. 3, latter portion and in VII, 1, 2; VIII, 9; IX, 5; XIII, 2, 3; and in the By'laws, I, 3; III, 1; and V. C. 3, 4).

in the preceding clauses. Here the evident intention of the Constitution is to provide for special duties, over and above the constant and regular duties of the Executive Board, which may from time to time be referred to the Executive Board by specific action of a convention. The interpretation given in the petition would nullify all provisions of the Constitution which delegate to the Executive Board standing and permanent powers and duties.

7. We agree that the Executive Board does not have authority to "govern, control, and determine the work of other Boards" in relation to "their internal management." As indicated above (Sec. 3, of this report) each departmental Board does possess, within the limitations mentioned, power not only of direction but even of initiative, within the limits of its particular sphere. (Cf. Art. XIII, Sec. 4.)

We cannot, however, concur in the final conclusion that the intent of Article XI is simply to provide a "co-ordinating Board that shall keep in touch with what is going on." The duty of the Executive Board to keep in touch with what is going on must be for some purpose. When it is provided in the Constitution that the Boards shall submit reports as to their work and needs to the Executive Board, and when it is further provided in the By-Laws (Sec. V, C, Item 3) that they shall furnish copies of their proceedings to the Executive Board, some object is evidently in view beyond merely enabling the Executive Board to keep in touch with what is going on. That object is indicated in the terms "co-ordinate the work of the entire body" and "prepare a budget," which, as has already been stated, imply such a degree of control as will secure the desired and needed co-ordination.

The conclusion of the resolutions of the Maryland Synod declares that the powers now exercised by the Executive Board have a tendency to create a "central autocratic government," which is "contrary to the whole spirit of the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church, which spirit is democratic."

This statement is an expression of an opinion regarding facts, and upon it we are not called upon to pass. We may point out, however, that if there indeed exists a tendency towards centralization of government in the present operations of the United Lutheran Church, that tendency is seated in the Constitution itself, in the powers which it confers upon the Executive Board. We may also point out that the correction for any possibility of undue centralization is also provided for in the Constitution, in that the Executive Board is not a permanent or self-perpetuating body, but one whose members are elected by the convention, (Art. XI, Sec. 1-2) and in that the Constitution requires the Executive Board to "make full report of its acts" to the general body. (Cf. Art. XI, Sec. 3, end; and Art. VIII, Sec. 9, end).

In this lies the democratic spirit of the Constitution.

SUMMARY

In summary of the whole matter, it is the opinion of the Commission of Adjudication that the authority of the Executive Board is in various respects different from that of the departmental Boards. The difference is the distinction between general administration and departmental administration. The other Boards are charged with the administration of certain departments of work, not further described in the Constitution and By-Laws than as the name and designation of the respective Board indicates. (Cf. list, By-Laws, Sec. V, A.) The Executive Board, on the other hand, is charged with a number of duties, more or less distinctly specified in the Constitution, all of which may be comprehended under the idea of general administration. This

general administration inevitably includes a certain degree of supervision of the work of the other Boards.

This supervisory authority can not be construed to extend to the internal management of a departmental Board. It exists, however, whenever the work of one Board impinges upon the work of another Board, whenever there is a question as to the limits of the sphere of work of any Board, and whenever the work of any Board relates itself to the general policy or work of the United Lutheran Church as a whole. It is to be exercised, not in an autocratic spirit, but in the spirit of Christian cooperation, looking toward the fullest development of the entire program of the United Lutheran Church, and the most efficient furthering of the cause of Christ upon earth.

Unanimously adopted by the Commission of Adjudication, October 17, 1922.

HOLMES DYSINGER, Secretary. HENRY E. JACOBS, Chairman.

The Rev. A. R. Wentz moved that this decision be adopted as a correct interpretation of the Constitution as it now stands. The Chair ruled that constitutionally the proper motion would be simply to accept this decision and spread it on the Minutes. On motion of Dr. Wentz it was so ordered.

The Report of the Church Paper Committee was read by the Rev. J. A. Singmaster.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PAPERS

1. FUNCTIONS.

The Standing Committee on Church Papers begs leave to preface its report with statement of its functions, namely: To have general oversight of the official Church papers of The United Lutheran Church; to see that they are conducted in accordance with the spirit and intent of the Constitution, in the interest of The United Lutheran Church, and for the edification of the people; and to nominate editors at the biennial conventions, or to elect the same *ad interim*.

2. THE MERGING OF THE GERMAN PAPERS.

At the Washington Convention your committee reported the successful merging of the English papers, and reported progress in the process of merging the German papers.

We are happy to report that the latter has been accomplished and that *Der Deutsche Lutheraner* and *Der Lutherische Zionsbote* have been united as the official German organ under the title *Lutherischer Herold*, which will appear during the month of October.

3. THE LUTHERAN.

The Lutheran has appeared regularly during the last biennium in spite of a very serious printers' strike which necessitated the removal of the printing

from Philadelphia to New York, where, thanks to the Hon. E. F. Eilert, the paper has been published without interruption. We understand that the printing will not be done directly by our own House until after the completion of its new building. For a report of the cost of the production of *The Lutheran* we refer the Convention to the Publication Board. However, we are disturbed by the knowledge that the deficit amounts to about $15,000.00. With the return of normal business conditions it is hoped that future deficits will be less; but they will disappear only with the increase of subscriptions. The present number of subscribers is 38,000, which might with little effort on the part of the pastors be increased to 50,000.

The Lutheran is a high grade denominational paper. Its make-up is above the average, its contents are suited to its constituency, and its editorial management excellent. Its several departments are calculated to edify the Church, and have been approved by questionnaires. Our Church should be proud of *The Lutheran* and every member should be its earnest advocate. It is a well nigh indispensable factor in the creation and the development of a Lutheran Christian sentiment among our English speaking constituents. Its absence from the family is a grave omission, indicating shortsightedness and indifference to religious and churchly training in the home. Its many-sidedness offers something for every member of the household. No Church will rise higher in its life than the intelligent and devoted interest of its homes.

4. Der Deutsche Lutheraner.

The German official weekly has appeared regularly and has served a useful purpose under the editorial care of the Rev. G. Julius Hoeppner, who was elected by the committee in December, 1920. It occupies among our German churches a place similar to that occupied by *The Lutheran* in the English churches.

5. Resolutions.

1. *Resolved,* That this convention hereby expresses its hearty appreciation of our official Church papers, and again commends them to the Church, and urges pastors and Church councils to make earnest and systematic efforts to introduce them into every family in their respective congregations.

2. *Resolved,* That this convention cautions our people against allowing any paper of whatsoever nature to displace their own Church papers. However useful a parish or synodical paper, or a missionary magazine or an undenominational religious paper may be, it should be merely supplemental to the regular Church paper.

J. A. Singmaster, *Chairman.*

The resolutions offered by the Committee were adopted.

Dr. Singmaster, for the Committee, put in nomination as Editors of The Lutheran: Rev. G. W. Sandt and Rev. N. R. Melhorn; of Lutherischer Herold, Rev. E. E. Ortlepp and G. J.

Hoeppner, Managing Editor. On motion the nominations were made a part of the Report of the Committee and the Report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. F. W. Bussard reported nominations for the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

On motion the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees as follows:

Mr. J. L. Clark	Mr. Harvey C. Miller
Mr. P. A. Elsesser	Mr. Wm. C. Stoever
Mr. E. J. Young	Mr. Wm. H. Hager
Mr. E. Clarence Miller	Mr. W. L. Glatfelter
Mr. F. W. Albrecht	Mr. Charles Steele

The nominees were declared elected.

The Committee to nominate members of the Board of Foreign Missions reported and the report was referred back to the Committee for corrections.

The hearing of the Rev. G. B. Young of the Near East Relief and the Rev. C. J. Bengston, Editor of the Lutheran Companion, was made a special order for 2:00 and 2:10 this afternoon.

The Report of the Lutheran Brotherhood was made a special order for 2:20 p. m.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by Rev. F. U. Gift.

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Afternoon Session

Thursday, October 19th, 2:00.

The Rev. C. B. Harman conducted the Devotional Service.

The special order for the afternoon was taken up and the Convention heard the Rev. G. B. Young in the interest of the Near East Relief; also the Rev. C. J. Bengston, Editor of the Lutheran Companion.

The Report of the Committee on Lutheran Brotherhood was presented by the Rev. S. S. Waltz, Executive Secretary of the Brotherhood.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church, through its Executive Secretary, makes the following report of its activities with such recommendations touching future plans as its experience suggests:

This organization, like most similar movements in the Church, has had its day of initial enthusiasm and has now reached the period of permanent constructive growth. Methods, necessarily experimental, are gradually changing to those of tested merit. The outstanding fact that runs through its entire history is that the organization of the manhood of the Church is a necessity for efficient service. The Brotherhood is the outgrowth of this law of necessity which prevails in the business world and runs through every part of the Church life. The women of the Church organized for local and missionary work and the young people for mutual help and co-operation. Both are illustrations of the same law of service, namely, efficiency demands organization. Prompted by the same principle and desiring in the most effective way to do their part in local congregations and in the general work of the United Lutheran Church, its men in large numbers have organized for service into Lutheran Brotherhoods. In this brief summary it is proposed to report only the general lines along which this organization has been engaged and its plans for future activity. Its financial operations are embodied in the Treasurer's Report which is submitted for audit.

The report of the Brotherhood during the biennium now closing, though handicapped by lack of field secretarial force and limited financial resources, has been encouragingly successful along constructive lines. Numerically, the men's organized work of the Church is evidence of its great possibilities for good when it is efficiently at work in the great body of its congregation. As stated in its constitution, "It aims to enlist the man power of the Church for concerted service in the congregation, in the Synod, and in the United Lutheran Church—an army mobilized awaiting the call of the Master."

According to the last parochial tables published in forty Synodical minutes there are in their congregations 1,023 men's organizations with a membership of 46,374. These figures, now materially increased, show the trend toward organized activity and that the men of the Lutheran Church are responding to the challenge of present day demands and opportunities. Many of these organizations are doubtless a blessing, while others are either inefficient or not active along the most important lines. More and more they are taking the form of Brotherhood Bible Classes, which, when properly related, is an ideal plan. Bible study gives men the spirit of service. Brotherhood work helps them practice Bible teaching. It is the mission of the Brotherhood not only to largely increase the number of men's organizations but especially to help make them efficient in local congregations and in the general work of the Church.

Briefly stated, the objectives aimed at by the Brotherhood may be classified under the term Christian education. It aims to organize the men of a congregation for loyal service by the study of its needs and opportunities and uniting them in doing what needs to be done. An intelligent active Lutheran laity is its ideal. It aims to give men a vision of the task, not only of the local Church, but of the wider field in the Synod and the United Lutheran Church. While loyal first to the home congregation, it ought to stand for the greater things and the larger problems of the United Lutheran Church if it is to accomplish its real work and challenge the interest of Christian men. It was the imperative need of a laity thus informed in the whole work of the Church that led our general office to request every Brotherhood that it make a special study of the handbook issued by the Boards of the Church preparatory to the Every Member Canvass of 1921. "Through Education to Faith and Service," the theme of the Convention of 1922, defines the Brotherhood plan. Knowing the Church and its work leads to love and service for it. The studies of Christian Stewardship lead to liberal and systematic giving. The Catechetical Class, the Sunday School, and other training functions of the Church, ought always be set before the Brotherhood as special fields of opportunity. The circulation of our official Church paper and other Church literature is always in the direct line of its work. So far as possible it ought always direct the attention of Church young people interested in education to our Lutheran institutions. Kindred to this it ought follow the thousands who go to other than our Church schools with its interest and help hold them true to the Lutheran Church and its future work. These and kindred activities are the objectives in the local Church which ought be set before its men's organization.

While the first obligation of a Brotherhood is always first to its own congregation, it ought never end there. It ought have before it the wider vision of world service. For this purpose it is planned always to have before it some general object in the field of Christian education. At the present time, with the hearty approval of the Executive Committee, the Brotherhoods are asked to build a much needed dormitory for Kyusha Gakuin, our Boys' School in Kumamoto, Japan, at a cost of $5,000.00. As soon as this is accomplished a similar object, either in the homeland or in our India mission field, will be undertaken. In this way it is proposed to keep the Brotherhoods of the Church in living touch with the practical educational and missionary activities of the whole Church.

It will be interesting and gratifying to know that what the men of the Lutheran Church in the homeland are doing in Brotherhood work has kindled a desire among native men in our foreign mission field to do a similar work. Out of this desire have come numbers of Brotherhood organizations in India and Japan, reports of which are most promising of great future results. Your Committee has assured them of our desire to foster their work in any way that may be approved by the missionaries in charge.

With this statement of the work and plans of the Brotherhood your Committee submits the following recommendations and requests, the results of its experience and careful study:

First: The biennial conventions of the Brotherhood, which up to this time have immediately preceded the meeting of the United Lutheran Church, while always occasions of great inspiration and practical help, have been limited in their influence for good by being confined to but one day and a half for ther important program. Conference and thorough discussion of its various subjects, as well as practical plans of work, have been impossible. The only solution of the problem seems to be changing the time of the convention or an arrangement of the United Lutheran Church as to the time of its opening session so as to allow at least an additional day for the Brotherhood convention. The judgment of the Church convention should govern the decision.

Second: So far as the work and plans of the Brotherhood approve themselves to the United Lutheran Church, its official sanction is desired along with such advice as its wisdom may suggest and such commendation as will introduce it to the favorable consideration of the churches.

S. S. Waltz, Executive Secretary

Mr. C. W. Howe, Treasurer of the organization, offered the following resolution as a substitute for recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Report:

Resolved, That the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church make provision in its budget for the payment to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Brotherhood of the sum of $10,000 per annum for the next biennium, the same to be used in paying the overhead expenses of the Brotherhood in order to enable the Brotherhood to use the income derived from the monthly dues solely for Christian education at home and abroad.

The motion on the adoption of the substitute resolution was lost, thus leaving but two items. Item 1 was referred to the Executive Board. Item 2 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. J. L. Morgan, Chairman of the Committee on Nominations, reported nominations for the Commission of Adjudication, Church Paper Committee and the Board of Foreign Missions. The report was adopted.

Dr. Koller, Chairman of the Committee of Reference and Counsel reported that the Rev. Prof. R. Martienson was present as the official visitor of the Icelandic Synod to present greetings to the United Lutheran Church. Prof. Martienson was presented by the Rev. S. M. Paulson of Brooklyn. Prof. Martienson

spoke of the missionary and educational work of the Icelandic Synod and of the need of the help of some larger body, particularly in the support of their struggling institution in the city of Winnipeg. The President made fitting response.

Upon motion of Dr. Offerman the matter presented to the United Lutheran Church by the official visitor from the Icelandic Synod was referred to the Northwestern Mission Board in conjunction with the Board of Education.

Dr. C. M. Jacobs presented the Report of the Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains which was received and ordered spread upon the Minutes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARMY AND NAVY CHAPLAINCIES

During the past two years your committee has functioned through the National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare and its Chaplaincy Committee, of which the Rev. Dr. C. F. Steck has been Chairman. With the dissolution of the National Commission other arrangements will become necessary. The field of the committee's activity will be greatly limited by the reductions in personnel recently ordered by Congress.

The committee calls attention to the action of the New York and New England Synod in granting each of its members who are serving as army chaplains an appropriation of $200 per year as a contingent fund and urges that similar action be taken by each of the Synods.

The committee concurs in the recommendation of your representatives in the National Commission concerning the dissolution of this committee and the appointment of a new Standing Committee on Army and Navy Work, which shall take over the functions of the Committee on Chaplaincies.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES M. JACOBS, *Chairman.*

Dr. Jacobs presented the Report of the National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COMMISSION FOR SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' WELFARE

Your representatives in the National Lutheran Commission would respectfully report as follows.

During the biennium the officers of the Commission have proceeded gradually with the work of terminating the Commission's operations. It

has been their policy to continue the support of work at the permanent naval stations and army hospitals until provision could be made by other Church organizations to assume permanent charge. The Commission's responsibility for this work ended December 31, 1921, but provision was made for the salary and expenses of the three camp pastors still in its employ until August 31, 1922.

The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of $102,298.18. The Articles of Association under which the Commission has been operating since 1918, provided a definite method of distribution for this balance upon the conclusion of the Commission's work, and the officers were instructed to defray the remaining expenses of the Commission, to print and distribute a final report of its work, and to divide the remaining balance among the participating synod's according to the terms of the Articles.

The Commission then adopted the following resolutions:

Whereas the emergency for which this National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare was called into existence has now, happily, passed and the special work for which it was organized has been completed, be it therefore

Resolved, 1. That the Commission extends heart-felt thanks to the Executive Officers who have served it during the years of its existence and through whose faithful and unwearied and consecrated labors the Commission was enabled to do the work for which it was created.

2. That the Commission record its deep appreciation of the efforts of the many hundreds of men and women throughout our land through whom the ministrations of the Church were brought to the men in the Army and Navy of the United States during and after the war. As chaplains and camp pastors, as members of local and general committees, and as individual servants of God and the Church, their services were given in this behalf without stint and without thought of self.

3. That the Commission recalls with profound gratitude the wholehearted support that was accorded to its work, from beginning to end, by the General Church Bodies, whose servant and creation it was. In the face of a great task, calling for united effort, all minor differences were forgotten and Church Bodies that had never before labored together were of one heart and one mind in the performance of the duty of which they were, for the moment, called. From the time of its organization, the Commission has received the most cordial and effective co-operation of the officers and executive authorities of all these Bodies, and without it the work of the Commission could not have been done. Within the Commission the representatives of all these Bodies have worked in perfect harmony and accord, with no other thought than the welfare of the whole Church, the saving of men's souls and the Glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

4. Finally, that the Commission offers humble thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for the spirit of loving service which He put into the hearts of the members of our Churches and which found

expression in the labors of this Commission. Its work was begun in His Name and performed in His power, His blessing rested upon it, and it has now been brought to a close by His grace, without Whom we can do nothing. To Him alone be praise and glory, through our Lord Jesus Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

5. That the National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare do now adjourn without day.

The dissolution of the Commission brings to a successful termination the largest co-operative enterprise which the Lutheran Church Bodies in America had ever undertaken. The Commission demonstrated that under pressure of a great emergency it is possible for Lutherans of many Synods to work together in a great common effort with large efficiency and complete harmony. It prepared the way for the formation of the National Lutheran Council and made possible the blessed work which that body has been able to accomplish overseas. Your representatives will always be thankful that they were permitted by you to be your servants in the performance of this work.

In view of the fact that the dissolution of the Commission leaves the Church without any general supervision of local work for soldiers and sailors, and of the further fact that there are military and naval posts and stations where the Lutheran Church should have representatives, your Commissioners recommend,

1. That the United Lutheran Church authorize the appointment of a Standing Committee on Army and Navy Work which shall make a survey of this field, and make such provision as may be possible for the active prosecution of the Church's work among soldiers and sailors, either by calling the attention of local agencies or Synods to the opportunities which it offers, or otherwise.

2. That the present Committee on Army and Navy Chaplaincies be discontinued and its functions transferred to the new committee.

3. That your Commissioners be discharged, upon receipt by the President of formal notification that the Commission has been dissolved and its funds distributed.

The report of the auditors is appended, and also a table showing the ratio in which the balance in the Commission's treasury has been distributed among the participating Synods.

REPORT OF E. F. EILERT, TREASURER, MAY 18, 1922.

RECEIPTS.

From Contributions	$1,330,750.13	
From Interest	41,019.29	
From "Our Lutheran Boys"	425.03	
From Sale of Literature	1,838.41	
From Women's Com. (Donations)	6,465.41	
		$1,380,498.27

EXPENDITURES.

For Books		$ 28,651.40
For Brotherhood	$341,530.73	
For Brotherhood S. A. T. C.	8,145.42	
		349,676.15
For Buildings		22,479.72
For Chaplains' Emergency	$ 9,233.85	
For Chaplains' & C. P. Loans	6,650.00	
For Chaplains' Equipment	27,432.94	
For Chaplains' Expense	25,388.16	
		68,704.95
For Camp Pastors' Equipment	$ 30,103.08	
For Camp Pastors' Expense	158,413.01	
For Camp Pastors' Traveling	8,920.06	
For Camp Pastors' Salaries	166,969.22	
		364,405.37
For Direct Service		14,673.38
For Executive Salaries	$ 33,236.52	
For Executive Traveling	21,114.01	
For Executive Expense	19,081.27	
		73,431.80
For Furniture & Fixtures		5,692.27
For Financial Campaign Com.—		
Expense	$ 36,876.16	
Postage	1,875.54	
Salaries	10,357.28	
		$49,108.98
For France & European Com		85,295.26
For Industrial Work		5,128.62
For "Our Lutheran Boys"		4,872.26
For National Lutheran Com., Canada		1,500.00
For Norwegian Synod		2,500.00
For Norwegian Church of N. W.		3,500.00
For National Luth. Free Church		500.00
For Office Salaries	$ 27,294.03	
For Office Expense	23,082.12	
For Office Postage	7,317.59	
		57,693.74
For Printing		14,837.37
For Publicity		1,911.18
For Reserves		900.00
For Service Clubs		56,302.89
For Sundry Contributions		19,006.70
For Synodical Conference		1,201.04
For Washington Office		2,720.25
For Women's Committee		43,506.76
		$1,278,200.09
May 18, 1922—Balance on Hand:		
United States Certificates	$ 50,000.00	
United States War Saving Stps.	700.00	
Certificate of Deposit:		
Central Union Trust Co.	50,000.00	
Cash on Hand, Central Union Trust Co.	1,598.18	
		$ 102,298.18
		$1,380,498.27 $1,380,498.27

I have audited the books of the National Lutheran Commission and hereby certify that the above is a true statement of the receipts and disbursements to May 18, 1922. All receipts were checked with the banks; all disbursements were properly authorized; the cash balances in the banks were verified by me and confirmed by the banks; the investments totaling $100,700.00 were examined by me and found on hand and in good order.

(Signed) WILLIAM CRAEMER,
Certified Public Accountant.

The statement determining the proportion of the balance on hand due each of the general bodies co-operating is a lengthy document which cannot be here reproduced. The following table will, however, serve to show the amount of money expended which should have been received from each body upon the basis of confirmed membership in 1917, the amount of money actually received and the shortage or excess on the part of the body.

Synod	Share	Cash Credit	Shortage	Excess
U. L. C.	$598,721.70	$497,468.58	$101,253.12	.....
Jt. O.	106,859.22	124,496.42	.....	$17,637.20
Iowa	102,728.35	90,585.57	12,142.78	.....
Buff.	5,527.07	4,071.16	1,455.91	.....
Im.	2,438.47	42.68	2,395.79	.....
Jeh. Conf	680.41	22.83	657.58	.....
Aug.	155,130.77	160,425.30	.....	5,294.53
N. of A.	237,263.18	435,089.95	.....	197,826.77
L. Free	15,997.41	21,615.91	.....	5,618.50
Eiel.	1,008.79	593.88	414.91	.....
L. Breth.	730.49	515.54	214.95	.....
D.	11,824.63	10,130.54	1,694.09	.....
U. D.	11,870.51	24,617.24	.....	12,746.73
Ice.	1,498.56	823.09	675.47	.....
Suo.	13,519.58	1,680.86	11,838.72	.....
F. N.	6,495.75	91.00	6,404.75	.....
F. A.	5,463.83	48.54	5,415.29	.....
	$1,277,758.72	$1,372,319.09	$144,563.36	$239,123.73

The shortage noted in the above table must of necessity be paid by those Synods which provide an excess. The final ratio for the division of the unexpended balance is:

Synods	Percentage
Norwegian of America	.95231991
United Danish	.04768009
	1.00000000

Upon this basis the following statement will show the disposition of funds:

Total Amount of Expenditures		$1,277,758.72
Amount for Norwegian Lutheran Church of America	$87,345.13	
Amount for United Danish Lutheran Church of America	7,215.24	
Total Divided		94,560.37
Undivided Balance		8,179.18
Total		$1,380,498.27

Signed, for your Commissioners,

CHARLES M. JACOBS.

The undivided balance will, upon the termination of certain transactions to be concluded, be divided in the same proportion as noted above.

Items 1, 2 and 3 were adopted. After some discussion concerning the distribution of funds, the report was adopted as a whole.

Dr. Haas moved that the Committee to be appointed be immediately charged with taking care of the work in Brooklyn, the work at Great Lakes Station and at San Francisco, and that we apportion $750 a month for six months to provide for the work until that Committee can function or perhaps obtain other funds. Motion was adopted.

Dr. Haas offered the following concerning the National Lutheran Commission for Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare:

Resolved, That as this Commission is being dissolved we recognize with gratitude the self-sacrificing labors of our representatives on the National Lutheran Commission.

The resolution was adopted. (Friday morning, October 20th).

The Rev. W. L. Stough, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported nominations for the Board of Foreign Missions. The Report was adopted.

Mr. B. F. Apple of Tellers' Committee No. 1 reported on elections for the Executive Board. The following members were declared elected:

Rev. Ellis B. Burgess
Rev. V. G. A. Tressler
Hon. C. M. Efird
Mr. Wm. H. Hager
Mr. Frederick Henrich

The session closed with prayer by the Rev. Luther Kuhlman.

Evening Service

At eight o'clock Thursday evening there was held, in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, a Service planned to emphasize the spiritual element in the life of the Church. The Rev. C. F. W. Hoppe presided.

The theme was "The Spiritual Life of the Church" which was to have been presented in three addresses: the first on "Its Importance," the second "Its Development," and the third "Its Manifestation." The Rev. J. S. Simon treated the first topic and the Rev. J. C. Mattes the second. At the conclusion of the second address the Rev. R. B. Peery, who was to have treated the third topic, declined to do so in view of the lateness of the hour.

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THIRD MEETING

Morning Session

Friday, October 20th, 8:45.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. H. Manken.

The Convention was called to order by President Burgess.

The Minutes of the Afternoon Session of Wednesday were read and approved.

The Rev. W. L. Stough, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported nominations for the following Boards:

Board of Home Mission and Church Extension
Board of Northwestern Missions
Immigrants Mission Board
West Indies Mission Board
Committee on Jewish Missions

The Report for each of the Boards was adopted.

The Rev. J. A. W. Haas offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved, That we ask the Executive Board to investigate the whole procedure of nominations and elections and report at the next Convention.

The Secretary called attention to the fact that there was yet one member of the Executive Board to be elected. On motion it was ordered that the election for the additional member be held tomorrow.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was taken up and the Convention heard the Rev. E. K. Bell, President of the Board and the Secretaries, the Revs. George Drach and Luther B. Wolf. Dr. Wolf read the following cablegram:

Dr. Knubel, U. L. C., Buffalo:—India Council meeting in Rajahmundry sends greetings to the Convention. There are promises of large success before us. Signed Larson.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

Fathers and Brethren:—Your Board of Foreign Missions presents herewith its Second Biennial Report. Since the beginning of the Foreign Mission enterprise in our American Lutheran Church great and encouraging progress has been made, and in no Biennium more than in this one.

The Board herewith submits to the Convention a report of its chief acts on the fields and at the home base. It realizes the great interest which the congregations and the Synods have in it and most gladly gives them a full account of the sacred trust.

Organization of the Board.

After the convention at Washington, D. C., the Board met in regular session on Dec. 2nd, 1920 and organized for the Biennium. The following persons constituted the Board:

I. Terms to expire in 1922: Rev. John A. Weyl, Rev. August Steimle, D.D., Rev. Jacob A. Simon, D.D., Rev. Lewis C. Manges, D.D., Henry P. Boyer, M.D., Mr. M. P. Moller, Mr. H. L. Bonham.

II. Terms to expire in 1924: Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D., Rev. John A. Singmaster, D.D., Rev. M. J. Epting, D.D., Rev. C. Theodore Benze, D.D., Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski, Mr. James M. Snyder, Joseph H. Miller, M.D.

III. Terms to expire in 1926: Rev. M. M. Kinard, D.D., Rev. John E. Byers, D.D., Rev. George A. Greiss, D.D., Rev. Wm. E. Frey, Mr. Martin H. Buehler, Mr. Wm. H. Menges, August J. Herrlich.

Of these there were present at the first meeting: Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D.; Rev. John A. Singmaster, D.D.; Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski; Rev. C. Theodore Benze, D.D.; Rev. John A. Weyl; Rev. August Steimle, D.D.; Rev. Jacob S. Simon, D.D., Rev. Michael M. Kinard, D.D.; Rev. John Edward Byers, D.D.; Rev. William E. Frey; Mr. James M. Snyder; Mr. William H. Menges, Mr. Hezekiah L. Bonham, Mr. Mathias O. Moller, Mr. Augustus J. Herrlich, Mr. Martin H. Buehler.

The following co-operating and Advisory Members were also present: From the Women's Executive Board, Mrs. Helen C. Beegle and Miss Mary A. Miller; from the Augustana Synod, Rev. Drs. L. G. Abrahamson and G. A. Brandelle. No co-operating members were present from the United Danish Church at this meeting.

Officers.

The Officers of the Board were then, according to the By-Laws, elected by ballot as follows:

President, Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D.
Vice-President, Rev. C. Theodore Benze, D.D.
Recording Secretary, Rev. George Drach, D.D.
Treasurer, Rev. Luther B. Wolf, D.D.

The following members were elected to constitute the Executive Committee of the Board: Rev. M. M. Kinard, D.D.; Rev. J. A. Singmaster, D.D.; Rev. J. E. Byers, D.D.; Mr. James M. Snyder, and the President, Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D., and Vice-President, Rev. C. Theodore Benze, D.D. The Secretaries are advisory members.

The Secretaries of the Board were elected for an undefined period, so long as their services are satisfactory to the Board.

After the death of Secretary Dr. C. L. Brown on December 5th, 1921, at Sanoghie, Liberia, Africa, his duties were divided between Secretaries Dr. George Drach and Dr. L. B. Wolf.

In reporting the death of Secretary Brown, the Board again expresses its sincere sorrow and sense of loss. It has published a memorial volume containing a sketch of his life, tributes to his memory, extracts from his last letters and quotations from his writings. This book is being distributed free of charge to his relatives, friends and co-laborers. The Board has also appealed for funds to erect a chapel at Kyushu Gakuin, Kumamoto, Japan, which is to cost $35,000 and is to stand as a memorial of its distinguished founder.

Co-operating Membership.

The constitution of the Board was so amended that Article III on Membership now reads:

"The members of this Board shall be communicants in congregations in full synodical relations with the United Lutheran Church in America, except as provided in Section 3 hereof."

Section 3, formulated as per resolution of the Washington convention and approved by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, reads as follows:

"Other Lutheran bodies may with the approval of the United Lutheran Church co-operate with the Board, and may appoint representatives to meet with it as advisory members; and such representatives may be elected in the regular manner to full membership in the Board; provided, however, that the whole number of such members shall not exceed three and provided also that their election shall in no wise, now or hereafter, entitle their respective bodies to any claim upon the property, real or personal, held by or in the name of the Board."

On December 17th, 1920, Dr. J. H. Miller resigned as a member of the Board and the Board nominated Prof. C. W. Foss to fill the vacancy. This

nomination was approved by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church. The United Danish Church, which co-operates with us, was represented during the Biennium by Revs. V. W. Bondo and K. M. Matthiesen.

Nominations.

The Board presents to the Convention the following nominations for membership:

To serve six years:

Revs. J. A. Weyl, A. Steimle, D.D.; J. S. Simon, D.D. and L. C. Manges, D.D., and Messrs. H. R. Boyer, M.D., and M. P. Moller and H. L. Bonham.

To serve for four years:

Prof. C. W. Foss, Ph.D.

New Headquarters.

The Board has purchased for its use the property at 18 E. Mt. Vernon Place, Baltimore, Md. The location is ideal, opposite Peabody Institute, in Mt. Vernon Square. Besides offices and a meeting room, there are rooms furnished for the accommodation of transient missionaries on furlough and for members attending meetings.

Relations to Other Boards and Societies.

Women's Missionary Society. The chief auxiliary of the Foreign Mission Board is the Women's Missionary Society. Two years of most cordial and satisfactory relationship have passed. This Society is deeply and whole-heartedly committed to our Foreign Mission cause. Its appropriations as follows, not including salaries and specials, have been generous and indispensable:

	1921
India Mission	$71,117.00
Africa Mission	5,350.00
Japan Mission	10,320.00
South America	3,560.00
	$90,347.00

All these offerings go to the foreign fields of the Church to support women's work and workers in accordance with an agreement made between the Board by which certain spheres of operation have been designated as work for women and children. This assignment includes our Women's Hospitals and our schools for girls in all our fields. The entire work in the Missions is under the direction of the respective Conferences, in which all the appointed Missionaries and wives of our missionaries appointed to independent charge of work, sit as full members.

The Women's Missionary Society provides all the funds for the support of the work and workers, in the departments which the Board has allocated to it. Forty-nine women missionaries are supported by the Society;

and the entire work supported, with all native women workers, constitutes a very large share of the work undertaken and successfully maintained.

During the Biennium the Society was represented by Mrs. Helen C. Beegle and Miss Mary A. Miller, who in March, 1922, was succeeded by Mrs. John W. Richards.

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

The Board has continued its relation with the Foreign Mission Conference of North America and has been profited in many ways by the association. Our President was elected Chairman of the Meeting at Atlantic City in January 1922. Secretary Wolf was a member of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, to January 1921, when Secretary Drach succeeded him.

Other missionary bodies, such as the Committee on Co-operation in Latin America and the Missionary Education Movement, have received our support and the Secretaries are members of their Boards of Management.

The International Missionary Council.

The International Missionary Conference held its first meeting at Lake Mohonk in obedience to a call issued by an informal committee appointed at Crans, Switzerland, in June, 1920. At the informal meeting Rev. L. B. Wolf, D.D. was a member. According to the tentative constitution adopted by the National Missionary organizations this Council shall consist of about 70 missionary administrators from the National Missionary bodies, 20 of whom shall represent the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, 14 the Missionary Societies of Great Britain and Ireland, and the remainder from the various countries of the world. Of this Missionary Council Rev. L. B. Wolf is one of the American representatives.

The International Missionary Council holds "that the only bodies entitled to determine missionary policy are the Missionary Societies and Boards, or the Churches which they represent and the Churches on the Mission Field."

The Council holds meetings every two years. A committee of twelve, with the officers and Executive Officials, meets when the needs of the organization require it. The next meeting has been arranged for 1923 at the Hague or elsewhere, the time and place to be agreed upon by the Committee of the Council.

The Lutheran Foreign Missions Conference in America.

This organization among Lutheran Foreign Mission Boards has been continued throughout the Biennium, and the Rev. L. B. Wolf, D.D., and the Rev. Lauritz Larsen, D.D., are Chairman and Secretary respectively.

Distressed Lutheran Missions have been granted much needed relief, through the National Lutheran Council which acts as a clearing house for the Foreign Mission Conference, raised and distributed funds to the Missions

in various lands and carried out the recommendations of the Conference. More than $300,000 have been sent to the Mission Fields of China, Japan, India and Africa. The needs for the year 1923 have been estimated at not less than $130,000.

Our Board granted leave to our lamented Secretary, the Rev. Chas. L. Brown, D.D., to go as Chairman of a Commission to Equatorial East Africa and examine and report on the situation of Lutheran Missions in that part of Africa.

The result of the investigation led the Augustana Foreign Mission Board, on the earnest request of the Lutheran Foreign Mission Conference, to assume the East Africa Fields left helpless by the war. The German Lutheran Societies could not carry on the Missions because their Missionaries were debarred from their former fields and because their means were utterly inadequate to maintain the work on account of the depreciation of their currency.

The Lutheran Foreign Missions Conference is supporting the effort to secure money and men to continue the work of these Missions till war-time conditions shall pass away and the German Societies can again begin to function in their former Missions, especially in India, Africa and China.

This Lutheran Foreign Mission Conference forms a hopeful bond of union among our various Lutheran bodies and cannot but help to harmonize the larger interests of our American Lutheran Church.

Missionaries.

The new missionaries who have been sent to our various fields, during the Biennium are:

India Mission: The Rev. Luther A. and Mrs. Gotwald, the Rev. L. E. L. Irschick, the Rev. A. Fred Schmitthenner, the Rev. Fred J. and Mrs. Fiedler, the Rev. M. L. and Mrs. Dolbeer, the Rev. James J. and Mrs. Raun, Miss Maida S. Meissner, Miss Viola E. Steigerwalt, Miss M. E. Eyster, Miss E. Pauline Whittaker, Miss Mary R. Fleming, M.D., Rev. Harman F. and Mrs. Miller, Mr. William and Mrs. Bembower, the Rev. Carl B. and Mrs. Caughman, the Rev. Clarence H. Swavely, Miss Isie L. Weygand. Total number of new missionaries twenty-four.

The missionaries who returned to India after furlough are Rev. Isaac and Mrs. Cannaday, the Rev. O. V. and Mrs. Werner, the Rev. K. L. Wolters, Miss Agnes Schade, Miss Agatha Tatge, Miss Hilma Levine, Miss Helen H. Brenneman, the Rev. J. E. and Mrs. Graefe, Rev. Ernst and Mrs. Neudoerffer. Total number returned to India after furlough, thirteen.

The missionaries who resigned from the India Mission are the Rev. George and Mrs. Rupley, Miss Betty Nilsson, M.D., Miss Eleanor B. Wolf, M.D., Miss Rebecca Hoffman and Miss Tillie Nelson. A total of six. Miss Susan E. Monroe, who went to India in 1902, returned to America in 1921, having served nearly twenty years as a self-supporting missionary.

Japan Mission: The new missionaries sent are: The Rev. Louis G. Grey,

Miss Marion E. Potts, Miss Rebecca M. Hendrickson, the Rev. Arthur and Mrs. Linn, Miss Helen Shirk. A total of six.

The missionaries who after furlough returned to Japan are: The Rev. A. J. and Mrs. Stirewalt, the Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Hepner. A total of four.

The missionaries who resigned their appointments in the Japan Mission are: The Rev. J. M. T. and Mrs. Winther, the Rev. Frisby D. and Mrs. Smith and Rev. M. M. and Mrs. Kipps. A total of six.

Africa Missions The new missionaries sent out are: The Rev. Roy L. and Mrs. Yund, the Rev. Paul M. Counts, Mr. E. D. and Mrs. Ireland, Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Leonard and Miss Mary E. Bauer. A total of eight.

The missionaries who returned to Africa after furlough were Rev. J. D. and Mrs. Curran and Rev. G. C. and Mrs. Leonard. A total of four.

To the South American Mission, Buenos Aires, the Rev. Paul O. Machetzki was called, commissioned and sent out. Mrs. Anna Mueller, an honorary missionary, returned home from this field but expects to return when personal matters are settled. The Rev. Meade A. and Mrs. Rugh returned from the British Guiana Field and resigned, and the Rev. Ralph J. and Mrs. White returned to this field.

The total number of new missionaries sent out in the Biennium.....	38
The total number returned after furlough to various fields.....	21
The number resigned.....	12
Total increase in staff since the merger.....	47

Missionaries on Furlough.

The Board grants furloughs to all missionaries at regular intervals, as determined by the Rules of the Missions. Furloughs last from six to eighteen months, following periods of from two to seven years of service in the field. During their furloughs missionaries recuperate, spend some time in study, profit in many ways by re-association with the people of their home-land and help the Churches to keep in touch with the mission fields. Each missionary has assigned to him some definite financial objective. Large and pressing needs are presented to the Churches and opportunity is given for special offerings in addition to the regular apportionment for such projects as the Theological Seminaries in India and Japan, new station plants in India, Japan, Africa and South America, the Brown Memorial Chapel, The Rajahmundry Diamond Jubilee Church, Parish Hall and Reading Room, and various other mission buildings and projects, for which our missionaries on furlough are authorized and encouraged to make appeals to Churches, individuals, Sunday Schools and Missionary Societies. The Board is very desirous that every congregation in the United Lutheran Church at some time shall have a missionary present the needs of his or her field, the progress of our mission work and of world evangelization.

Death of Missionaries.

Death has entered the ranks of our Africa and Indian Missions and removed from their beloved work in the Africa Field the Rev. C. E.

Buschman—and from our India Field, the Rev. Edwin A. Olson. Both missionaries fell at their post from causes connected with the lands in which they labored. Faithful until death in the service of their Missions, a sure reward and crown of life await them.

The total number of missionaries in the service of the United Lutheran Church, including the wives of missionaries and these newly appointed, now on their way to the fields, is one hundred and sixty-seven. They are serving and representing their Church in our foreign fields, where the demands on their strength and endurance are great. They confidently look to the Church for support in all their plans. No cause can claim more consecration and more hearty and generous support. The united prayers of the Church should ever rise for these workers and their work, so that out of the great non-Christian world there may be added daily such as shall be saved, and the redeemed of the Lord may come to Zion with joy and everlasting rejoicing, and our Lord Christ see of the travail of His Soul and be satisfied, in the labors of those who in His name and strength present Him to a world lost in sin.

Patrons and Proteges.

The number of patrons supporting proteges in our foreign fields has increased rapidly during the past two years. Seven hundred and fifteen congregations, Sunday Schools, societies and individuals are supporting proteges by annual contributions ranging from $30 to $500. Thus a class in Sunday School supporting a boy's scholarship at $35.00 a year, contributes a sum sufficient to keep a boy in school, a society supporting a native worker contributes a sum sufficient to employ a native worker. Names of pupils in school and of lower grade workers cannot be furnished. In every case a certificate of support is sent to the patron. When the annual contribution is less than $75.00 the assignment is made by number. Proteges supported by contributions of $75.00 or more a year are assigned by name as well as by number. The following is the schedule of sums required for the support of proteges in India:

Proteges in India.

Annual Payments Required for Their Support.

$ 30 to $ 35—Boy's Scholarship in a Boarding School.
$ 40 —Boy's Scholarship in a Mission Orphanage.
$ 75 to $135—A Special Student.
$ 35 to $ 45—School Teachers.
$ 50 to $ 55—Catechists, who are responsible for religious work among Christians and others in one to four villages.
$ 55 to $ 75—Evangelists, who devote the major portion of their time to work among non-Christians.
$ 75 to $ 85—School Supervisors, qualified men who supervise educational work in a number of schools.
$ 85 to $ 90—Supervising Catechists.
$100 to $150—Indian Pastors.

Proteges in Japan are supported by annual contribution as follows: Kyushu Gakuin Scholarship $100. High School Scholarship $200.00. Theological Seminary Scholarship $125.00, Evangelists or Japanese Pastors from $500 to $800.

Proteges in Liberia, Africa: Boy's Scholarship $45.00, Native Worker $100 to $250.

Foreign Mission Pastors. Undoubtedly the most encouraging feature of our Patron and Protege Department is the long list of Foreign Mission Pastors supported under the plan of the Board, which may be stated as follows: To any congregation which contributes at least $1,000 a year in excess of the apportionment for this special purpose, a foreign mission pastor may be assigned. A number of individuals support their personal representatives in the foreign field. Five congregations are supporting two or more foreign mission pastors. The list is as follows:

Missionaries Supported in India.

	Missionaries	*Supported by*	*Pastor*
1.	Rev. John Aberly, D.D.	Trinity, Rockford, Ill.	Rev. H. M. Bannen, D.D.
2.	Rev. W. F. Adolphsen	Greensburg Conference	S. S. Association
3.	Rev. S. C. Burger	First Church, Baltimore	Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D.
4.	Rev. I. Cannaday	St. Mark's, Baltimore	Rev. Robert D. Clare, D.D.
5.	Rev. F. L. Coleman	First English, Pittsburg	Rev. C. P. McLaughlin, D.D.
6.	Rev. H. E. Dickey	St. John's, Sterling, Ill.	Rev. E. C. Harris
7.	Rev. M. L. Dolbeer	Tabernacle, Philadelphia	Rev. Wm. J. Miller, Jr.
8.	Rev. R. M. Dunkelberger	Zion's, Harrisburg, Pa.	Rev. S. W. Herman, D.D.
9.	Rev. F. J. Fiedler	Emmanuel, Pottstown, Pa.	Rev. I. B. Kurtz, D.D.
10.	Rev. J. C. Finefrock	First Mansfield, O.	Rev. H. C. Roehner, D.D.
11.	Rev. J. R. Fink	Zion's, York, Pa.	Rev. G. A. Getty, D.D.
12.	Rev. Harry Goedeke	Second Church, Altoona, Pa.	Rev. G. N. Lauffer
13.	Rev. L. A. Gotwald	Trinity, Fort Wayne, Ind.	Rev. Paul H. Krauss
14.	Rev. J. E. Graefe	Mr. John E. Miller, Messiah,	Philadelphia
15.	Rev. G. R. Haaf	Memorial, Harrisburg, Pa.	Rev. L. C. Manges, D.D.
16.	Rev. L. E. L. Irschick	St. Peter's, Kitchener, Ont.	Rev. H. A. Sperling, Ph.D.
17.	Mr. R. S. Kauffman	Greencastle, Pa.	Rev. H. B. Burkholder
18.	Rev. Victor McCauley	First, Dayton, O.	Rev. M. H. Krumbine
19.	Rev. H. F. Miller	Trinity, Hagerstown, Md.	Rev. J. S. Simon, D.D.
20.	Rev. Ernst Neudoerffer	Trinity, Norristown, Pa.	Rev. P. Z. Strodach, D.D.
21.	Rev. A. F. A. Neudoerffer	Redeemer, Brooklyn	Rev. S. G. Weiskotten, D.D.
22.	D. A. Pfitsch		Mrs. A. M. Thompson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
23.	Rev. G. A. Rupley	Trinity, Canton, Ohio	Rev. E. C. Herman
24.	Rev. James J. Raun		Dr. C. M. Stine, Wilmington, Del.
25.	Rev. A. Schmitthenner	Zion's, Greensburg, Pa.	Rev. R. Williams
26.	Rev. H. H. Sipes	Nativity, Philadelphia	Rev. J. C. Fisher
27.	Rev. H. R. Spangler		Mr. Wm. Decker, Montgomery, Pa.
28.	Rev. J. R. Strock	Memorial, Shippenburg, Pa.	Rev. R. S. Bowers
29.	Rev. C. H. Swavely		Mr. and Mrs. Hottenstein, Spring City, Pa.
30.	Rev. M. E. Thomas	St. Paul's, Leetonia, Ohio	Rev. H. C. Brillhart
31.	Rev. C. P. Tranberg	Calvary, Wilkinsburg, Pa.	Rev. C. B. Foelsch
32.	Rev. O. W. Werner	St. John's, Allentown, Pa.	Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr.

Missionaries Supported in Africa.

	Missionaries	*Supported by*	*Pastor*
33.	Rev. C. H. Brosius	Zion's, Sunbury, Pa.	Rev. C. R. Bowers, D.D.
34.	*Rev. C. E. Buschman	Trinity, Canton, Ohio.	Rev. E. C. Herman, D.D.
35.	Rev. P. M. Counts	St. John's, Zanesville, Ohio.	Rev. W. L. Dowler
36.	Rev. J. D. Curran	St. Paul's, Baltimore	Rev. P. A. Heilman, D.D.
37.	Mr. E. D. Ireland	Mt. Zion, Chicago	Rev. D. L. McConnell
38.	Rev. Jens Larsen	Temple, Philadelphia	Rev. A. Pohlman, D.D.
39.	Rev. G. S. Leonard	First, Springfield, Ohio.	Rev. J. B. Markward, D.D.
40.	Mr. H. C. Leonard	English Lutheran, Princeton, Ill.	Rev. T. B. Uber
41.	Dr. C. H. Nielsen	Trinity, Rockford, Ill.	Rev. H. A. Bannen, D.D.

*Deceased.

Missionaries	*Supported by*	*Pastor*
42. Rev. F. M. Traub	First, Johnstown, Pa	Rev. H. W. Snyder
43. Rev. Roy L. Yund	Messiah, Philadelphia	Rev. R. H. Stover

MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED IN JAPAN.

Missionaries	*Supported by*	*Pastor*
44. Rev. C. W. Hepner	Trinity, Rockford, Ill	Rev. H. M. Bannen, D.D.
45. Rev. E. T. Horn	Trinity, Reading, Pa	Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, D.D.
46. Rev. A. C. Knudten	Trinity, Canton, O	Rev. E. C. Herman, D.D.
47. Rev. J. Arthur Linn	Mt. Zion, Pittsburgh, Pa	Rev. Carl W. Becker
48. Rev. J. K. Linn	Zion's, Harrisburg, Pa	Rev. S. W. Herman, D.D.
49. Rev. C. K. Lippard, D.D.	St. Andrew's, Charleston, S. C	Rev. J. H. Worth
50. Rev. L. S. G. Miller, D.D.	Grace, Winchester, Va	Rev. A. Kelly
51. Rev. G. N. Schillinger	First, Dayton, Ohio	Rev. M. H. Krumbine
52. Rev. C. E. Norman	First, Mansfield, Ohio	Rev. H. C. Roehner, D.D.
53. Rev. S. O. Thorlaksson		Icelandic Lutheran Synod
54. Rev. A. J. Stirewalt	St. Paul's, Wilmington, N. C.	Rev. E. F. Keever, D.D.

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Missionary	*Supported by*	*Pastor*
55. Rev. E. H. Mueller, D.D.	Lutheran, Hummelstown, Pa	Rev. H. S. Garnes

PARISHES ABROAD.

Twenty-eight Young People's Societies are sharing in the support of the Sattenapalli District, Guntur Field, India, which is the Young People's Parish Abroad, by taking one or more shares at $10.00 a year for each share.

At the last convention of the United Danish Church in Racine, Wisconsin, an annual budget of at least $8,000 was adopted with the following appropriations: Kurume $2,500, Moji-Shimonoseki $2,500, Hiida $1,500, Amagi $1,500. These stations, therefore, constitute the United Danish Church's Parish Abroad under the Patron and Protege plan of the Board. In addition the Young People's Society of the United Danish Church will support the Rev. Hajime Inadomi, who was ordained at its recent meeting, and a number of congregations, schools and societies will support other Japanese pastors, evangelists and students. It is gratifying to note the renewed and increased interest of the United Danish Church.

ENDOWMENTS.

The children of the late Rev. B. F. Alleman, D.D., on the anniversary of his death, April 10, 1921, provided an endowment fund as a memorial in the amount of $1,000, the interest of which is to support a theological student in India.

To those who desire by cash or bequest to create similar endowments to erect memorial buildings or to provide for any special object in our mission fields, information will be furnished cheerfully by the Secretaries.

PUBLICITY.

Literature.—Those who desire more detailed information concerning the work in our foreign fields should read The Annual Report of the Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church, and our monthly magazines, "The Foreign Missionary" or "Der Missionsbote." The report for the year 1921 has been published in an attractive, illustrated pamphlet, a copy of which was mailed to each pastor in the United Lutheran Church, the Augustana

Synod, the United Danish Church and the Icelandic Synod. The Women's Missionary Society distributed 700 copies and the Board of Foreign Missions 3,800 copies.

The publication of the Brown Memorial Volume has been mentioned elsewhere in this report.

A number of leaflets and pamphlets has been published, among others Mrs. C. K. Lippard's Story of Japan: "The Return of Taro Hiraki," which first appeared as a serial in "The Foreign Missionary."

For the Epiphany season, culminating in Foreign Mission Day, the Board supplied a Foreign Missionary Service and special envelopes. We have continued the practice in the confident hope that the demand constantly will increase and that sooner or later Foreign Mission Day will again become a recognized and universally observed missionary anniversary in our Churches and schools.

Each year about a thousand copies of "Missionary Ammunition" have been sent free of charge to pastors who have indicated their desire to receive this suggestive and helpful annual publication of the Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America.

Wall maps of our Guntur and Rajahmundry fields in India are still available for those who desire them and will send ten or fifteen cents to cover the postage.

Other avenues of publicity which the Board has used are: "The Lutheran" and the Handbook of the Secretaries' Conference distributed by the Laymen's Missionary Movement in connection with the annual every member canvass.

Our Magazines.—The circulation of our monthly magazines is steadily increasing. At the time of the merger "The Foreign Missionary" had a circulation of 5,000 copies. It is now 12,900. "Der Missionsbote," our German magazine, also has increased its circulation and now has 6,000 subscribers. The Board offers to send to anyone up to 100 copies of either magazine for three months free of charge in the hope of securing permanent club subscriptions. Many pastors and Sunday School Superintendents are taking advantage of this offer.

"Muhlenberg Tidings," published as a monthly at the Boys' School, Muhlenberg Station, Liberia, Africa, is distributed in a limited edition free of charge from the office of the Board.

Stereopticon Lectures.—Before leaving America for Africa, Dr. C. L. Brown had organized the stereopticon department, which has since been developed and now includes the following number of lectures: Seven on India, two on Japan, three on Liberia, one on British Guiana and five on general missionary subjects. These lectures are loaned on payment of express charges and $2.50 for each use of a lecture. Most of the slides are beautifully colored and the text has been written by missionaries and the Secretary in charge of the department. Applications for lectures must be made well in advance of the date on which they are to be used.

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The India Mission.

Because political movements and governmental changes in India have a direct bearing on the work and result of Christian Missions in that land, it becomes necessary in presenting the report of our India Mission to this convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, to refer briefly to what has occurred during the past Biennium in the fields of politics and government.

One of our missionaries writes: "Our Mission is not in the main stream of the National Movement. It is only affected by some of the eddies. The Telugu people have not been in the habit of striking out along new lines for themselves. They are attached locally to their own country and customs and are slower to move than some other areas in India. But in a movement so general they could not remain unaffected."

The National Movement has conspicuously asserted itself during the past two years. The Montagu Reforms, which went into effect in December, 1919, laid the foundations for developing genuine self-government. Certain branches of government, such as departments of education, excise, and public works, have been committed to Indian ministers and Indian legislation. The British Government had long pursued the policy of encouraging mission schools of every grade by dividing with the missions the expenses of erecting school buildings and by giving substantial financial aid for the conduct of the schools.

The National Movement was accompanied by anti-foreign feeling and demonstrations, which have somewhat subsided. Gandhi urged all Indians to withdraw their children from government and government-aided schools. Many followed his advice and mission schools suffered. Fortunately in the Madras Presidency the Legislative Council "voted down a resolution to refuse grants to schools that do not make religious instruction voluntary, and did it largely on the ground that such action would close mission schools which at present are needed by the people."

Great Mission Problems.

1. *The Educational Problem.*

The Educational Problem as it affects our American Lutheran Mission in India, relates in particular at present to three institutions, the Vocational Middle School, the United Christian College and the United Lutheran Theological Seminary.

a. *Vocational Middle Schools.*—Two years ago a Commission of English and American educationists, sent by the Foreign Mission Boards of Great Britain and North America, visited India to study the problem of village education. Their report recommends, among other things, that Christian Missions, which still have a place in elementary education in India, should emphasize vocational training in middle schools. It is gratifying to note that plans had been prepared at Guntur for a vocational training school several years before the Commission visited India, which proves that our

Mission is fully alive to the educational needs of its field. It should be stated here, however, that if vocational training is to be extended to other parts of our mission fields in India an outlay of money for buildings, equipment and staff will be required for which we cannot possibly provide unless the financial embarrassment of our Board is speedily removed. For the present we must restrict the Mission to the experiment for which it is preparing at Guntur.

b. *United Christian College.*—In our report to the Washington Convention of the United Lutheran Church, two years ago, we referred to the necessity of establishing a Christian College for the Telugu area. The time has come for a decision on this question. We ask this Convention to authorize the Board of Foreign Missions to co-operate with the Church Missionary Society of England and other Protestant Boards and Societies which have Missions in the Telugu area in the establishment of a Telugu Christian College. The Executive Board tentatively sanctioned arrangements with the Church Missionary Society's Mission to make its college at Masulipatam, Noble College, temporarily the United Christian College with Rev. J. Roy Strock as Principal. He assumed his duties at the head of this institution in July, 1922. He writes in the Annual Report of our Foreign Missions, just published: "The Telugu Missions Conference recently took acton in favor of the establishment of such a College. The Missions working in the Telugu area are being invited to take part in the scheme, either by supplying a missionary member of the staff or by giving an annual contribution. Up to the present three missions have forwarded the proposal to their Home Boards with their recommendation. It is certainly the wise course for missions to pursue, and the scheme deserves the hearty support of all who are interested in higher education. Education of the collegiate grade is becoming increasingly expensive so that one Mission cannot man, equip and support a college in an adequate manner for it to be efficient from either the educational or the missionary standpoint. United effort alone will enable missions to offer to the people of India education of a really superior quality under Christian influence."

To this testimony should be added that of Dr. John Aberly, the President of the Council of the India Mission: "Heretofore Universities have been Examining Bodies only. Now residential Universities are the order of the day. One of the first to be launched in the South is to be the Telugu University. What effect will this have on our Guntur College? Are we equal to the task of raising $1,700,000 (Rs. 5,000,000) and furnish the professors needed to make it a University with its own charter? That would be one solution. Or, if this cannot be done, can Missions unitedly do it? The very question suggests the answer, and that is that it must be along the line of a United Institution if it is to be done at all. United work in higher education is at present the only course open to Missions. So much is plain. Details only have to be worked out and it looks as though we might have to work them out at short notice."

It should be remembered that the High School and College at Guntur and the High Schools at Peddapur and Bhimawaram are to be continued as at present, with the idea of fitting them into the scheme as a whole, and that, moreover, adequate provision is to be made for the spiritual care of college students in the United Institution by the respective Missions. A dormitory for Lutheran Students in charge of a Lutheran Missionary or Indian Pastor is one of the conditions of our co-operation.

c. *United Theological Seminary.*—Sanction was given at the last Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America to establish a Theological Seminary in India in co-operation with other Lutheran Missions. At that time we had good hopes of a speedy realization of our plans, but questions of location, language and practical co-operation have delayed the establishment of the United Lutheran Theological Seminary. However, a beginning has been made in our own Mission by forming a class of sixteen theological students under the supervision of Dr. J. Aberly at Guntur. The teachers of the class are Dr. Aberly, Rev. C. R. Gopal, Rev. P. Philip Leisenring, Mr. K. Luke, Mr. P. B. Paul and Mr. Gera Jacob. The students are all married men who have had experience in mission work. Most of them are High School graduates. All the instruction is given in English. Another class is to be formed in July, 1923. For the training of catechists Junior Bible Classes are conducted in both fields. We wish to express the hope that the obstacles placed in the way of a United Theological Seminary for the Lutheran Church in India may speedily be removed, because we are convinced that no other institution is of greater importance for the unified strength and influence of our Lutheran Church in India.

2. The Church Problem.

1. *Our Synods in India*—The Mission is the mother of the native Church. In some mission fields the spirit of independence and initiative on the part of the native Christians asserts itself earlier and more definitely than in other fields. In India, parallel with the national movement in politics during the past few years, there has arisen a movement for greater independence in the activities and government of the native Church. This movement is not to be discouraged but directed. In our mission fields wisdom and judgment, patience and brotherly love have characterized the relations of the missionaries and native Christians in their effort to solve this pressing problem. The missionaries on the one hand have welcomed the zeal and efficiency of native Christian leaders, and these leaders, on the other hand, fully realize that complete independence is dependent on an economically independent laity. In India the solution of the problem, apart from the development of competent native leadership, lies in the Christianization of the economically independent castes.

The organized Synods in the Guntur and Rajahmundry fields have already taken over congregational and evangelistic work, and to the Guntur Synod has been committed, also, the care of the parochial schools. This is a move in the right direction and puts our mission well on among the missions

in India that are making the Church and not the mission the center for the bringing of the Gospel to the people.

In order the more closely to relate the Synods in India with our United Lutheran Church in America, the Board of Foreign Missions has asked the Mission to lay before the Guntur and Rajahmundry Synods a proposal which includes the adoption of the confessional basis of the United Lutheran Church in America and the enrollment of these Synods as Associate Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America, with the right of sending a limited number of delegates, who shall have voice on the floor of the Convention and vote in all matters pertaining to their Synods. Before taking any further steps in the matter the Board awaits the action of the Synods in India.

2. *United Lutheran Church in India*—The Third All-India Lutheran Conference met in Guntur October 4-7, 1921. "The distinguishing features of this meeting were the very large Indian representation and their active participation in the Conference." One of the subjects of discussion which occupied much attention was the union of all Lutherans in India in one Church organization. A proposed constitution, embodying the confessional basis of the United Lutheran Church in America, has been submitted for approval to the missions and "there is good reason to believe that it will be accepted by practically 200,000 Lutheran Christians in India." Without doubt the union of the Guntur and Rajahmundry Missions and the assistance given former German Missions by our American Lutheran Church have been determining factors in the formation of plans to organize a United Lutheran Church in India.

3. *German Missions Problem*—The former German Missions in India still present an unsolved problem, in which many conflicting interests are involved. The mission for whose continued existence we are directly responsible is that of the Schleswig-Holstein or Breklum Society in the Jeypur field. Our appropriation for this field, not including the salaries of missionaries, was fixed at $24,000 (Rs. 66,000) during the year 1922. Three of our missionary families have been located at Parvatipur for a year, Rev. and Mrs. Oscar V. Werner, Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Adolphsen, Rev. and Mrs. James J. Raun. Others will probably be sent to this field during the coming year. Boarding schools, one a girls' school, have been opened at Parvatipur, Salur and Jeypur. We have instructed our Mission in India to treat this field as though it were our own by submitting an annual budget and making financial and statistical reports for it in the same manner as for the Guntur and Rajamundry fields. We have also requested the Women's Missionary Society to finance the women's work in this field.

Changes are taking place in the attitude of the British Government to the question of the return of German missionaries. The most recent Government order permits the return of individual German missionaries whose records and credentials are satisfactory and whose work will be under the

supervision of a British subject as the head of the Mission. We are trying out the situation in several directions and believe that an effort to secure the return of at least one of the former Breklum missionaries to the Jeypur field will meet with success in the near future.

In the former Gossner mission field, financed by the National Lutheran Council, two of our missionary families are stationed, both at Ranchi, Rev. and Mrs. Isaac Cannady, Rev. and Mrs. H. R. Spangler.

Progress in Every Direction—After having edited the statistics of our mission in India for the year 1921, which show what a remarkable work is being done in our three fields, Guntur, Rajahmundry and Jeypur, Dr. Victor McCauley wrote: "There are now in these three fields only a few less than 112,000 baptized members and more than 127,000 adherents. This makes a close approach toward 50 per cent. of all Lutherans in India. It also represents a fair proportion of all Protestant Christians in the Telugu country. But what are they among 20,000,000 Telugus!"

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1921.

	Guntur	Rajahmundry	Jeypur	Total
Baptized Members	66,755	30,163	15,073	111,991
Communicants	23,518	15,457	8,204	47,179
Baptisms, 1921	5,019	3,149	1,636	9,804
Inquirers	6,829	6,396	2,287	15,512
Missionaries, Men	14	9	3	26
Missionaries' Wives	13	9	3	25
Single Women	18	10	0	28
Indian Pastors	13	8	3	24
Indian Workers	1,283	1,671	247	3,201
Sunday School Pupils	22,009	12,011	177	34,197
Boarding and Day Pupils	14,199	14,315	1,744	30,258
Benevolent Contributions	$6,040	$3,482	$1,366	$10,888
Other Local Income	$44,108	$20,605	$400	$65,113
Budget approximation, 1922, for both fields	.....	$250,297	$24,000	$274,297

Rajahmundry Handicap.

While the Reformation Diamond Jubilee Fund as fast as it is restored by the reduction of the Board's indebtedness will be available for the erection of buildings and the development of outstation work in the Guntur Field, the Rajahmundry Field continues to suffer for lack of funds to erect needed bungalows, school buildings and churches and to take advantage of the opportunities for extending the work. It was principally for this field and our Japan Mission that the Board repeatedly but unsuccessfully approached the Executive Board for authorization to undertake a systematic effort to raise funds for a forward movement. Fortunately the fact that the women's work in all our foreign fields is financed by the Women's Missionary Society has enabled our women missionaries in the Rajahmundry as well as in the Guntur Field to advance their particular work.

Missionaries.

Our missionaries in India merit sincere appreciation. They now number over one hundred, including the wives of missionaries, some of whom are in independent charge of work. Their task is growing more difficult every year as the mission problems press for more rapid solution. The older and more experienced ones are showing marked ability as administrators and organizers, and several of them are now ranked among the leading Christian missionaries in India. The newer and younger ones are wisely tempering their commendable zeal with diligent study and earnest work in preparation for the great tasks awaiting them.

Deaths.—With deep regret we report the deaths of Rev. Edwin A. Olson, Miss Virginia M. Boyer and the children of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Graefe. Missionary Olson died of smallpox at Rawal Pindi on May 31, 1921, while on a journey to North India to take his hot season vacation. Miss Boyer was returning to Iindia after her first furlough in America to teach in the school for missionaries' children at Kodaikanal. She was drowned at the sinking of the S. S. "Egypt" on May 21, 1922, off the island of Ushant, France. Before returning on their first furlough Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Graefe lost their second child in India and shortly after they reached America their infant daughter died of diphtheria in Baltimore. They are returning to our mission in India, thus manifesting a spirit of consecration which is exemplary.

Resignations.—Dr. John Aberly, who has been called to occupy the Passavant Chair of Missions in Chicago Theological Seminary at Maywood, Ill., will remain a year or two longer in India to finish some important literary and administrative work.

Dr. Betty A. Nilsson, after thirteen years of faithful and successful service at the Hospital for Women and Children, Rajahmundry, resigned to remain at home with her aged parents in Rockford, Ill. Her father died soon after her return on furlough and her mother is in feeble health. Her successor at the Rajahmundry Hospital is Dr. Elizabeth Reese-Wilkins.

Other resignations are noted in another part of this report. We would like to mention each one of our missionaries by name and speak of their respective work in the various districts and departments of our mission work, but cannot even introduce a list of names for lack of space and refer the interested reader to the pamphlet published every year by the Board with the title "The Annual Report of the Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America," and to the monthly magazines, "The Foreign Missionary" and "Der Missionsbote," through which our missionaries keep the home Church informed concerning their efforts, problems, plans and prospects.

Completely Merged in India.

One of the most significant events in the history of our mission work in India is the merging of the Guntur and Rajahmundry Missions, concerning

which one of our missionaries writes: "The merging of the Lutheran Churches in America has led to a more rapid merging here in India than the most sanguine among us had anticipated. In October, 1920, final action was taken bringing Rajahmundry and Guntur into one general organization, known as the Council of the India Mission of the United Lutheran Church in America." We no longer speak of the Guntur Mission or the Rajahmundry Mission, but of the India Mission, and refer to the Guntur Field and the Rajahmundry Field. Each is divided into districts and the whole is directed by the central organization, whose officers are: Rev. John Aberly, D.D. President, Rev. H. H. Sipes, Vice-President; Rev. Oscar L. Larson, Corresponding Secretary; Miss F. W. Welty, Recording Secretary, Dr. Anna S. Kugler Corresponding Secretary for Women's Work; Rev. Harry Goedeke, Treasurer. For the mission thus organized, excluding missionaries' salaries and traveling expenses, $250,297 was appropriated in 1922, of which $71,117 was furnished by the Women's Missionary Society. It was with sincere regret that, because of its inability to reduce its indebtedness and its helplessness in securing funds for buildings and equipment in addition to the apportionment, the Board reduced the estimate of the mission 7 per cent. for general work in 1922 and made no appropriations for new buildings except for those for which provision had already been made by the R. D. J. A. Fund.

The Japan Mission.

So closely was Rev. Charles L. Brown, D. D., related to our Japan Mission that a report of the work of the mission of the past Biennium, in which he died, necessarily must begin with a tribute to his life as a missionary in Japan and the Board's Secretary for Japan. The Board has just published a memorial volume in which his life and work are described and tributes to his memory are printed. Here we wish briefly to refer to his relation to the Japan Mission as a constructive force during the twenty-three years of his vigorous manhood, which he gave in untinted measure for the Christianization of Japan. It is no exaggeration to say that what our Japan Mission is today it owes to Dr. C. L. Brown more than to any other man. He founded Kyushu Gakuin in 1911 and erected its first buildings. He was the chosen leader of his fellow-workers while he served as a missionary in Japan, and when he was selected by the Board to be the Secretary for Japan the missionaries looked to him to make their dreams come true. When he died of typhoid fever with grave complications at Sanoghie, Liberia, December 5, 1921, our missionaries in Japan were overshadowed by a dark cloud of disappointment. In the providence of God we believe that his early departure will be overruled for the advancement of the work which he loved.

In this connection we desire again to lay upon the hearts of our pastors and people the project of the Brown Memorial Chapel at Kyushu Gakuin, which is to cost $35,000 and is to be a fitting memorial. It should be erected at once to meet the religious needs of the school. Thus far the

appeal of the Board has met with an unsatisfactory response. It is hoped that those who have not yet contributed will do so within the next few months to honor the memory of Dr. Brown.

The Lutheran Church in Japan

In the last biennial report Dr. Brown himself described the unique character of the mission organization in relation to the Japanese Church. This year the same proposals made to the Synods in India were made to the Lutheran Church in Japan, requesting the adoption of the confessional basis of the United Lutheran Church in America and suggesting that the Lutheran Church in Japan apply for associate membership in the United Lutheran Church in America, with the right of sending one delegate who shall have the privilege of the floor at all times and the right to vote on all matters pertaining to the Lutheran Church in Japan. We await the action of the annual convention in Japan before making formal application to the United Lutheran Church in America on behalf of the Church in Japan.

The Problem in Japan.

The most serious problem of our mission work in Japan is financial. Japan is one of the most expensive mission fields in the world. It is practically impossible to accomplish results in any line of activity without the investment of large sums of money. On the letter heads now used by the officers of the Mission appears this list of appeals: Seminary, $100,000; Girls' School, $170,000; College, $100,000; Churches, Chapels, Mission Homes, $630,000.

Four years ago the Mission prepared a ten-year program which called for an outlay of $1,000,000 during this period. There is no extravagance in these hopes when viewed from the point of view of missionary necessity and opportunity. The problem, therefore, does not lie in the mission field but in the home church, where the funds must be raised. As it is, the meager sums which the Board is able to appropriate enable the Japan Mission barely to make headway against the strong, steady current of financial demands and adverse conditions.

Station Equipment.

It is clear that no permanent work can be established without property and equipment. We expect the impossible from our missionaries, Japanese pastors and evangelists when we locate them in a city and provide nothing better than rented Japanese houses, utterly inadequate and unattractive. Every one of the stations on the main island of Hondo is still in this hopeless condition. While Rev. C. W. Hepner was on furlough in America he succeeded in raising a few thousand dollars for the Osaka Station, but not enough to provide the needed equipment. When Rev. A. J. Stirewalt on his return to Japan from furlough in America took charge of the Tokyo Station work, he found conditions so discouraging and his appeal for equipment was so convincing that the Board borrowed

money from special funds and allowed him $10,000 with which to lease a lot for a period of at least thirty years and begin the erection of a missionaries' home and parsonage for the Japanese pastor. The Rev. D. G. M. Bach is now appealing to the pastors and congregations in the United Danish Church for the equipment of the Moji-Shimonoseki Station.

Mission Institutions.

Kyushu Gakuin—We have already referred to the Brown Memorial Chapel at Kyushu Gakuin. The Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America has pledged $5,000 for an additional dormitory. Sooner or later the Board must face the problem of elevating this school to the grade of a college. In 1921, Kyushu Gakuin completed its first decade of service. The Japanese principal and four teachers of the 24 employed, served during this entire period. The school enrolls 580 students and has had 417 graduates. In December, 1920, Rev. Edward T. Horn became the chaplain of the institution and organized a congregation with a membership of 60, 26 of whom were teachers and their wives. Six students were baptized at the first service and at the last before the summer vacation in 1921, 13 students, two wives of teachers and the daughter of a teacher were baptized. The total number of Christians among the student body is now 65. The Harper Memorial Home was completed and occupied by the Dean, Rev. L. S. G. Miller, D.D., and family, in April, 1921, and a large tract of land was added to the school property. The Zaidan or governing body of the school, hitherto composed entirely of foreign missionaries, was reorganized last year so as to include a minority of Japanese teachers.

The Theological Seminary—The Mission has decided on Tokyo as the location of the Theological Seminary. Several of our missionaries on furlough and Rev. H. Inadomi appealed for this institution and some funds are in hand, but not sufficient to warrant the Board in authorizing the purchase of the site. The Theological Department which has been continued at Kyushu Gakuin enrolls seven students and is in charge of Rev. J. P. Nielsen as Dean.

Colony of Mercy—Near Kumamoto a large tract of land (Tsubo 6,000), has been purchased for the colony of mercy. The three branches of work planned are: An Orphanage, an Old People's Home, a Rescue Home. Beginnings in all three directions have been made, but the further development of this enterprise will depend on the erection of buildings, for the provision of which the Mission looks to the Women's Missionary Society. This society is also gathering funds for the erection of a Girl's School.

Japanese Students in America.

During the Biennium the following Japanese students have continued their studies in America: Rev. H. Inadomi at the Philadelphia Theological Seminary, where he took a post-graduate course. Rev. I. Miura was graduated from the Gettysburg Theological Seminary and will take special course at

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore. Mr. N. Asaji is taking the regular course at the Philadelphia Theological Seminary. Mr. K. Hirai is a student at Lenoir College and Mr. C. Kishi at Roanoke College. We wish to express to these colleges and seminaries and to all friends who are helping our Japanese students the sincere appreciation of the Board.

Newspaper Evangelism.

The Federated Missions in Japan are using a method of newspaper evangelism, which is unique and effective. It consists of taking space in secular newspapers and filling that space with material furnished by a central bureau under the direction of a committee of the co-operating Missions. One of our missionaries is a member of this committee. The articles inserted are short and each is intended to set forth a central truth of Christianity, driven home with a passage of Holy Scripture. In one issue the text of the parable of the Prodigal Son was printed in large type. The printing of this parable in two dailies with a combined circulation of 170,000 cost less than $75.00. There is no way of ascertaining how widely these newspaper articles are read but there is evidence that they receive extensive reading, lead to discussion and to inquiry by correspondence. The inquirers are referred for personal instruction to their nearest missionary. The central bureau is located at Fukuoka with Rev. A. Pieters of the Reformed Church Mission in charge. Our Board allowed the Mission in Japan on its annual budget the sum of $1,000 for this newspaper evangelism and hopes that by approving this form of work the United Lutheran Church will encourage the Board to make an additional appropriation to open a branch office at Saga, directly under the control of our own missionaries.

Summary of Statistics for the Year 1921.

Stations Occupied	17
Foreign Missionaries, including wives	34
Japanese Pastors	9
Japanese Evangelists	11
Membership of Churches	1,165
Communicants	700
Baptisms in 1921	115
Received by Letter	36
Sunday Schools	40
S. S. Pupils	2,256
Kindergarten Pupils	136
Kyushu Gakuin Students	580
Contributions (Yen 3.907)	$1,954
Budget Appropriation, 1922	$80,000

Missionaries.

The missionaries in Japan have been faithful in their work, eager for the growth and development of the Mission and earnest in their endeavor to establish a Japanese Lutheran Church. They deserve our continual prayers and liberal financial support. The resignations of Rev. M. M. Kipps in 1921,

of Rev. J. M. T. Winther and Rev. Frisby D. Smith in 1922 were accepted with deep regret. The recruits sent out during the biennium, two ordained men and three women missionaries, will be ready for regular work after spending two years on the study of Japanese.

A Testimonial.

Because of its financial embarrassment the Board was compelled to severely reduce the estimate of the Japan Mission for the year 1922, appropriating $80,000 for the general work, not including missionaries' salaries and women's work. Only a few thousand dollars are available for building and equipment. It remains for the Home Church by its contributions to say how far the Mission may go in its effort to establish and develop the Lutheran Church in Japan. It must be remembered that no other Lutherans, except a very small group of Finnish Lutherans, are doing mission work in Japan.

One of the Lutherans who attended the World's Sunday School Convention at Tokyo and visited our mission stations in Japan, expressing the conviction of all other Lutherans in the delegation, wrote: "Japan has become a world-power, exerting a tremendous influence in Korea, China and Siberia. Whether this influence will be for good or evil depends on the success of the effort to Christianize her people. The Buddhists are working hard and are imitating Christian methods. I see no reason why Christianity cannot be as firmly established as Buddhism, which really is a foreign religion, if missionaries are well-equipped, supported and reinforced. Taking our Lutheran work in Japan as a whole, I believe it most important. Our missionaries impressed me as a fine, earnest and energetic body, who should be encouraged and supported to the fullest extent of the ability of the Church."

Africa.

Muhlenberg Mission, Liberia.

The dark continent with its crying needs, has a strong hold on our United Lutheran Church. The biennium under report marks substantial progress in several ways.

Our medical work under the direction of Dr. J. P. Nielson and Miss M. Martens has been most helpful and calls for increase of the personnel, so that it need not halt while the missionary doctor and nurse go on furlough. Our aim is to strengthen this branch of service which loudly calls for more doctors and nurses.

The building operations of the Mission have been under the superintendence of James W. Miller, who has prosecuted his work most effectively. The Phebe Hospital was completed and has been in operation under Dr. Nielson and Miss Martens. The Girls' School Building, so unfortunately delayed, is approaching completion. Plans are being matured to build three or four interior stations for which money is available from the R. D. J. Fund and other sources.

The new stations to be opened in the interior are to be located at Zigita, Zorzor and either N'Zolou or Bakasa. A fourth place is to be chosen in the near future. The interior stations at which work was carried on, viz. Sanoghie, Bethel and Kpolopele are only the beginnings for our interior work in Liberia. The progress made at each of them is the promise that in this plan lies our sure success.

The biennium was marked by a very vigorous manifestation of African Church-life. Our native workers not only pledged deeper loyalty to the Mission but also asked for larger responsibility as they show their fitness for the same.

The Mission deplores with a deep and lasting regret that Dr. Brown's visit to the field met with such a sad end. High hopes were held that he would inaugurate new and large plans for the Liberian Mission. But the Board has fully determined to press forward along the path marked out, in opening our interior stations, with schools for boys and girls and vigorous evangelistic work.

The industrial side of the Mission will be pushed as in the past, but our schools must be strengthened not only on this side but also in other ways. Homer C. Leonard, the younger brother of Rev. G. C. Leonard, will give his special attention to the higher educational development.

The statistics of the Mission remain much the same and are as follows:

Number of Missionaries, including wives	29
Number of Stations	6
Number of Schools	9
Number of Scholars	300
Number of Workers	30
Communicants	325

The South American Missions.

BRITISH GUIANA.

Missionary Ralph J. White and family have superintended this Mission during another biennium. The Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Rugh returned from the field after a few months' residence. Rev. White has done his work well. He is assisted by a capable corps of Christian workers in both the school and evangelistic operations. He writes recently that he has been very busy in the mission stations on the Berbice river; and at the head station in New Amsterdam he has had a fine accession.

The Parochial Report.

Pastor	1
Catechists	3
School Teachers	5
Catechumens	35
Infant Baptisms	40
Communicants	250
Baptized Members	400

This Mission has all the marks of an organized church in its head congregation in New Amsterdam and all the characteristics of a mission in Ituni station among the Arowak Indians. Missionary White expects to return to America at the close of 1923. The Board must fill his place with a good man to maintain this flourishing field and reap the fruits of the past sowing.

Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Interest in this field has been increased during the biennium. Mrs. Anna H. Mueller, who served without salary, has temporarily returned to America to minister to her family. She hopes eventually to return when circumstances permit. The Board commissioned and sent to the field Rev. Paul O. Machetski.

The great need of the Mission is for equipment. Little work can be done in a great city like Buenos Aires without a local habitation. The Board is calling for $65,000 with which to secure a permanent home. Dr. Chas. L. Fry is especially employed by the Board to raise funds for this new field.

The Budget for 1923 has been fixed at $19,250, being an increase of $2,000 over the previous two years. The Women's Missionary Society is quite interested and helps to support our girls' school.

Statistics.

Missionaries	4
Assistants	12
Organized Churches	1
Preaching Stations	3
Total Church Members	105
Total Pupils in Schools	91
Total Students in various departments	243
Students in Theology	1
Amount received in School fees	$3,271.00
Amount Benevolence	578.00
Amount Donations	946.00
Total local receipts	$4,796.00

Dr. Mueller writes most encouragingly as follows:

"Up to the end of 1921 work was kept going with the aid of our Theological students. Our membership rose from 54 to 105 and our communicants from 23 to 54; Sunday School scholars from 58 to 122 and benevolence from nothing to $578."

"Special features of the year were a six months' training course for Kindergarten teachers." The attendance of our language school in English and French increased from 40 to 60. Under needs he writes: "We need a church building, a school building, a home and another ordained missionary. With an adequate equipment and a sufficient force of workers, this Mission would soon be self-supporting in many departments."

General Financial Statement.

The Board of Foreign Missions received generous treatment at the hands of the last Convention, both because of its needs and its serious indebtedness. For the current work of the Missions and to clear indebtedness, the total amount granted was $1,050,000.00 for the biennium. The Synods almost without an exception, accepted this apportionment. But the fact must be faced that they raised only about 60 per cent. A summary of the money paid on the apportionment is as follows for the current work. Full details can be learned by a study of the Treasurer's accounts as presented at the end of this report.

Summary.

Amount on apportionment for biennium and specials through Treasurer Miller and Board Treasurer for current work	$741,009.33	
Women's Missionary Society	300,016.29	
Interest on investments and other receipts	48,673.24	
Bequests	24,141.41	
Total used in current work		$1,113,840.27
Additional money received by Treasurer of the Board:		
From Augustana Synod	$47,387.09	
From United Danish Church	14,358.39	
Total		61,745.48
Grand total for regular expenses		$1,175,585.75
Received for special objects not included in current work:		
Reformation Diamond Jubilee Fund	$47,956.66	
For Theological Seminaries in India and Japan and extension of work in South America and Japan	44,525.13	
Gossner Mission from the National Lutheran Council	61,743.67	
Total	$154,225.46	

It is interesting to note what money was received from the Churches, on apportionment and what given in excess of the apportionment. There was paid on apportionment through Treasurer, Mr. E. Clarence Miller, $617,836.00. This shows that the Churches paid only about 60 per cent. on the apportionment. It is a hopeful sign that many Churches do not measure their responsibility in terms of apportionment. All the gifts of the Women's Missionary Societies are in excess of the apportionment and amounted to $300,016.29. The great cause is on the heart of these noble women and they gave almost half as much for the cause as was received through the apportionment plan from the churches.

However, many of our Churches, individuals, Sunday Schools, and Young People's Societies have also given largely, and those gifts too are mainly from churches that pay their apportionment in full. The following shows the amount received:

Special contributions through the Synodical Treasurers and Treasurer Mr. E. Clarence Miller	$ 72,106.05
Specials through the Board Treasurer	50,813.69
Total	$122,919.74

This sum coupled with the Women's Missionary Societies' gifts, makes the special gifts, in excess of the apportionment, $422,936.03. Hence it appears that about two-thirds as much was given by churches and individuals in excess of the apportionment as was given in the regular way.

The expenditure of the Board for the biennium is grouped under a few heads for ready reference:

Missionaries' Salaries and Travel Expenses	$197,921.49	
Budgets to Mission Fields	578,017.22	
Home Base expenses, including Secretaries' salaries, office, travel, etc.	94,977.56	
Women's Missionary Society's Work	334,443.23	
Total		$1,205,359.50
Specials not included in current work		99,063.60
Total expenditures		$1,304,423.10

This calls for no special comment. It may be noted, however, that the home base expense was a little less than 6 per cent. of all money handled.

Reformation Diamond Jubilee Fund.

Total receipts to date of July 31, 1922		$252,210.70
Amounts spent on projects to July 31, 1922	$54,398.43	
Amount invested as Trust Fund	45,000.00	
Total		$99,398.43
Balance of fund on hand		$152,812.27

Trust Funds.

The Board has increased its trust funds and its annuities. At the close of the last report it held in endowments and securities $125,302.81. This amount has been increased during the biennium to $178,093.77 (book value). The Board's annuities then amounted to $19,450 and now amount to $43,000. The aim of the Board's Finance Committee is to cover all trust

funds and annuities with the best long-time securities available. Attention is called to the Board list of investments. During the biennium the following bequests and annuities were received:

Bequests.

Elizabeth U. Uhrich, Lebanon, Pa.	$977.87
J. Henry Miller, Lebanon, Pa.	475.00
Henry Fritz, York, Pa.	7,125.00
Katharine P. Carlisle, Galion, Ohio	465.00
Katherine E. Schaeffer, Philadelphia, Pa.	4,750.00
Katherine Klaiber, Utica, New York	386.65
Margaret and Adam Miller, Denver, Colo.	142.86
Anna M. Brewer, Chambersburg, Pa.	237.50
Londine C. D. Kraacke, Burlington, N. J.	25.00
Anton Zeit, Rochester, Pa.	416.02
Emma Kock, Philadelphia, Pa.	500.00
Thos. W. Gable, Northampton, Pa.	300.00
Mrs. Eliz. M. Arnold, Pittsburg, Pa.	50.00
Annie R. Leidigh, San Diego, Cal.	2,885.65
Mrs. A. J. Sauer, Buffalo, New York	510.00
Charles A. Kunkel, Harrisburg, Pa.	3,000.00
Catherine Anne Boyd, New Kensington, Pa.	90.00
Mary M. M. Mohr, Weightman, Allentown, Pa.	1,804.86
	$24,141.41

Annuities.

Mrs. Lavina Metzker	$3,000.00
Miss Jennie B. Angstadt	150.00
Fred and Maggie Mehring	20,000.00
Leonora Scheu	300.00
Rosa Scheu	200.00
Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Luther Kuhlman	1,000.00
Catherine S. and Clara V. Sadtler	500.00
Emma L. N. Boileau	500.00
E. Jessie N. Hoffman	500.00
Rev. S. A. Hedges	400.00
	$26,550.00

We also call attention to the financial co-operation in our work in India by the Augustana Synod, and in Japan by the United Danish Synod. The former contributed $47,387 and the latter $14,135.

Our Board's accounts have been audited four times in the biennium by Miss Elsa Doetsch, an accredited accountant, for the small fee of $70.00 for each audit, a total of $280.00.

BUDGET.

Our Board presented to the Executive Board the following Budget for the apportionment for 1922-23.

Africa:		
1. Mission Budget	$18,700	
2. Missionaries' Salaries	12,100	
3. Travel to and from Field	7,700	
4. New Missionaries	2,200	
5. Miscellaneous	2,200	$42,900
India:		
1. Mission Budget	$196,350	
2. Missionaries' Salaries	42,900	
3. Travel to and from field	25,300	
4. New Missionaries	5,500	
5. Breklum Mission	24,200	
6. Miscellaneous	12,750	307,000
Japan:		
1. Mission Budget	58,300	
2. Missionaries' Salaries	27,500	
3. Travel to and from field	6,600	
4. New Missionaries	1,650	
5. Miscellaneous	4,400	98,450
South America—		
British Guiana:		
1. Mission Budget	2,200	
2. Missionaries Salaries	2,200	
3. Travel to and from Field	2,200	
4. New Missionaries	1,650	
5. Miscellaneous	1,760	10,010
Buenos Aires:		
1. Mission Budget	6,600	
2. Missionaries Salaries	6,600	
3. Travel to and from field	1,650	
4. New Missionaries	3,300	
5. Miscellaneous	1,100	10,250
Home Base:		
1. Secretaries and Clerks	14,300	
2. Publicity and Literature including Annual Report	8,000	
3. Travel, Board Meetings, Missionaries on Furlough	6,000	
4. Office Rent, and Office Supplies	$2,750	
5. Postage, Express, Telephone and Telegraph	1,690	
6. Miscellaneous	1,650	$34,390
Grand Total		$512,000
Add one-half Board's indebtedness		50,000
		$562,000
Deduct contributions of Augustana and Danish Synods		$37,000
Total amount asked for 1923		$525,000
Amount asked for 1924 (10% increase)		563,200
Augustana and Danish Synod Deduction		37,000
		$526,200

Add one-half Board's indebtedness	$50,000
Total amount asked for 1924	$576,200

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTIONS.

1. INTERCESSION.—*Resolved* that

(a) *For our Foreign Missionaries,* our representatives and Christ's servants for the triumph of his truth and kingdom overseas,

(b) *For the native Christian pastors,* evangelists and teachers, on whom the extension of the Church everywhere largely depends,

(c) For all our brethren in the faith, with whom we share the hope of salvation through Jesus Christ, and

(d) *For all non-Christians* still unreached by the Gospel

(1) We call upon the Pastors and People in our United Lutheran Church to intercede at the throne of grace, praying also for more laborers to be thrust forth into His great harvest field abroad; and

(2) That the adoption of this resolution be followed immediately by a period of prayer and intercession, under the direction of the President of the Board.

2. AUDIT.—*Resolved* That the Board of Foreign Missions be authorized and empowered to have its accounts audited, as heretofore, by a certified public accountant of the State of Maryland, to be approved by the Executive Board, and thus be relieved of the inordinate expense of the audit by the firm appointed by the Executive Board.

3. UNITED CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, INDIA.—*Resolved* That the Board of Foreign Missions be authorized to co-operate with other Evangelical Missionary Societies and Boards at work in the Telugu area, India, for the establishment and maintenance of a United Christian College, provided that our Mission in India is proportionately represented in the College Council (Board of Directors) and faculty, and that the unrestricted spiritual care of the Lutheran Students is committed to our Mission in India.

4. NEWSPAPER EVANGELISM, JAPAN.—*Resolved* That the action of the Board of Foreign Missions in granting an annual appropriation of $1,000 for newspaper evangelism in Japan as conducted under the auspices of the Federated Missions, be approved, and the Board be authorized to grant additional sums at its discretion, provided at least one of our missionaries is a member of the controlling committee and a sub-office is established at one of our Lutheran Mission Stations.

5. CHINA MISSION.—*Resolved* That when opportunity is offered and funds are made available, the Board of Foreign Missions be authorized to begin a Mission in China.

EZRA K. BELL, President.
GEORGE DRACH, Secretary.
LUTHER B. WOLF, Secretary.

REPORT OF L. B. WOLF, TREASURER, FOR BIENNIUM.

August 1, 1920, *to July* 31, 1922.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the Year Ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Women's Missionary Society Fund	Other Funds
United Church	$296,483.63	$113,684.09	.....
Augustana and Danish Synods	32,849.50	.....	.....
Donations for specific purposes, as annexed	.....	.....	$94,422.75
Donations for general purposes, including bequests	37,859.38	131.20	.....
Trust Funds	.....	.....	14,364.20
Annuities	.....	.....	3,150.00
Interest on Investments	8,356.28	.....	.....
Bank Interest	2,272.10	.....	.....
The Foreign Missionary	1,337.32	.....	.....
Der Missionsbote	956.85	.....	.....
Income from rental of slides	311.34	.....	.....
Miscellaneous receipts	1,586.15	.....	.....
Proceeds from sale of securities	.....	.....	27,537.89
	$382,012.55	$113,815.29	$139,474.84
Cash Receipts	$624,452.68		
Securities received	10,850.00	$635,302.68	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Budgets paid to Missions	$293,282.03	$84,875.34	
Salaries to Missionaries	62,053.64	27,535.68	
Salaries of Treasurer, Secretary and Board Representatives	8,550.00	.....	.....
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc...	4,128.00	.....	.....
Expenses of Missionaries traveling to and from fields	$30,245.76	$18,134.09	.....
Expenses of Treasurer, Secretary and Board Representatives	8,036.55	426.59	.....
Expenses of Candidates and Missionaries on furlough	4,963.26	.....	.....
Disbursements from Specific Funds, as annexed	.....	6,110.83	$87,767.41
Publicity	4,338.87	308.72	.....
The Foreign Missionary	3,266.93	.....	.....
Der Missionsbote	2,040.01	.....	.....
Slides Department Expense	1,093.11	.....	.....
Annuity Interest	1,107.50	.....	.....
Interest on Kodaikanal property loan...	750.00	.....	.....
Printing, Stationery and Office Supplies	1,435.76	.....	.....
Office Rental	1,000.00	.....	.....
Telephone and Telegraph	346.43	.....	.....
Postage and Expressage	716.55	.....	.....
Auditing	145.00	.....	.....
Africa Buildings	.....	2,352.98	.....

	General Fund	Women's Missionary Society Fund	Other Funds
Membership in Committee of Reference and Counsel	$620.00	.....	.....
Assessment of Missionary Education Movement	370.00	.....	.....
Special Allowances, Gifts, etc.	650.00	10.00	.....
General Office Expense	81.00	.....	.....
Securities Purchased	.....	.....	25,890.84
	$429,220.40	$139,754.23	$113,658.25
Cash Disbursements	$682,632.88		
Loss on Sale of Securities	1,606.88		
Decline in value of Securities	8,019.24		
		$692,259.00	
Excess or Deficiency of Receipts	$47,207.85	$25,938.94	$25,816.59

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the Year Ended 31st July, 1922.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Women's Missionary Society Fund	Other Funds
United Church	$393,458.42	$183,691.00	.....
Augustana and Danish Synods	28,895.98	.....	.....
Donations for specific purposes as annexed	.....	.....	$77,332.54
Donations for general purposes, including bequests	36,295.72	2,500.00	.....
Annuities	.....	.....	23,400.00
Interest on Investments	9,107.45	.....	.....
Bank Interest	2,127.69	.....	.....
The Foreign Missionary	2,902.17	.....	.....
Der Missionsbote	1,487.16	.....	.....
Income from rental of slides	365.39	.....	.....
Miscellaneous receipts	695.10	$10.00	.....
	$475,335.08	$186,201.00	$100,732.54
Cash Receipts	$740,393.39		
Securities received $24,150.00			
Less Securities sold 2,274.77			
	21,875.23		
		$762,268.62	
Budgets paid to Missions	$283,985.19	$119,826.92	
Salaries of Missionaries	71,383.68	35,134.31	
Salaries of Treasurer, Secretary and Board Representatives	9,075.00	.....	.....
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	4,039.00	.....	.....
Expenses of Missionaries, traveling to and from fields	34,238.41	7,132.75	.....

	General Fund	Women's Missionary Society Fund	Other Funds
Expenses of Treasurer, Secretary and Board Representatives	$10,163.98	.....	.....
Expenses of Candidates and Missionaries on furlough	5,794.25	296.04	.....
Disbursements from Specific Funds, as annexed	.....	14,995.66	$11,296.19
Publicity	6,838.23	329.08	.....
The Foreign Missionary	4,909.10	.....	.....
Der Missionsbote	2,223.15	.....	.....
Slides Department Expense	32.16	.....	.....
Annuity Interest	1,565.00	.....	.....
Printing, Stationery and Office Supplies	1,001.39	.....	.....
Office Rental	1,000.00	.....	.....
Telephone and Telegraph	574.08	.....	.....
Postage and Expressage	969.87	.....	.....
Auditing	617.88	.....	.....
Africa Buildings	.....	16,690.24	.....
Membership in Committee of Reference and Counsel	1,630.00	.....	.....
Assessment of Missionary Education Movement, etc.	555.00	.....	.....
Special Allowance, Pensions, etc.	525.00	.....	.....
General Office Expense	185.25	.....	.....
Foreign Missionary Conference Expense	390.25	284.00	.....
	$441,695.87	$194,689.00	$11,296.19
Cash Disbursements	$667,218.56		
Less Securities Purchased	19,537.50		
		$647,681.06	
Excess or Deficiency of Receipts	$33,639.21	$8,488.00	$89,436.35

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash in banks	$125,161.41	
Investments, as annexed, at ledger values	173,810.91	
		$298,972.32

FUNDS.

Trust Funds, as annexed	$123,052.46	
Annuity Funds, as annexed	43,000.00	
Miscellaneous Funds, as annexed	200,730.93	
Women's Missionary Society Fund	24,638.96	
	$391,422.35	
General Fund, Overdraft, borrowed from Trust Funds	92,450.03	
		$298,972.32

SECURITIES, 31st JULY, 1922.

		Book Values
$3,000	Philadelphia Suburban Gas & Electric Co., 3-year General Mortgage 6% Bonds, 1969	$2,910.00
4,000	Seaboard Air Line First Mortgage 4s, 1950	3,392.61
5,000	Atlantic Coast Line 4s, 1952	4,293.75
4,000	S. W. Missouri Railroad Co., Gen'l and Ref'g Mortgage 5s, 1931	4,080.00
1,000	Tri-City Railway & Light Co. First and Ref. 5s, 1930	1,000.00
1,000	United Rys. & Elec. Co. of Baltimore, 5%, Funding 1936	1,000.00
1,000	Oklahoma Ry. Co. 1st and Ref. Mtge. 5s, 1941	1,000.00
673.77	Asheville, N. C., 6% Note due 1923	673.77
2,000	Phila. Co. Cons. Mtge. & Coll. Ttr. 5s 1951	2,000.00
1,000	Quemahoning Creek Coal Co. 6% 1st Mtge. 1932	1,000 00
2,500	Electric & People's Traction 4% Stock Trust Ctf. 1945	2,500.00
1,000	Hotel Traymore Co. 1st Mtge. 6s 1927	1,000.00
1,000	Scranton Ry. Co. 1st Cons. Mtge. 5s 1932	1,000.00
1,000	Phila. Suburban Gas & Electric Co. 1st & Ref. Mtge. 5s 1960	1,000.00
2,000	Phila. Co. 1st Mtge. & Coll. Trust 5s 1949	2,000.00
3,500	National Gas, Elec. Light & Power Co. Coll. Tr. 6s 1931	3,500.00
1,400	Phila. Elec. Co. 1st Mtge. Sinking Fund 5s 1966	1,400.00
500	Nassau & Suffolk Lighting Co. 1st Mtge. 5s 1945	500.00
1,000	Rockford Gas Lt. & Coke 1st Cons. Mtge. 5s 1950	1,000.00
500	Altoona & Logan Valley Elec. Ry. 4½s 1933	500.00
5,000	Florida East Coast Ry. Co. 1st Mtge. 4½s 1959	3,950.00
12,000	Bell Telephone Co. of Pa. 1st & Ref. Mtge. 7s 1945	12,150.00
5,000	Atlantic Coast Line R. R. 10 yr. 7% Secured Gold Notes 1930	5,100.00
1,050	U. S. First Liberty Loan Conv. 4¼s	1,050.00
2,150	U. S. Second Liberty Loan Conv. 4¼s	2,150.00
3,300	U. S. Third Liberty Loan 4¼s	3,300.00
22,650	U. S. Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼s	21,213.40
1,150	U. S. Victory Liberty Loan 4¾s	1,150.00
10,000	Con. Gas Elect. Lt. & Pr. Co. of Baltimore 1st Ref. Mtge. 7% Interim Certs. 1921	9,775.00
1,000	Elk Horn Coal Corp. 10 yr. S. F. Mtge. Conv. 6s 1925	1,000.00
19,000	Maryland Elect. Ry. Co. 1st Mtge. 5s 1931	19,000.00
3,000	Kingdom of Denmark S. F. Ext. Loan 8s 1945	3,262.50
3	Shares Ohio Mutual Savings & Loan Co. 6% Stock Par $100	300.00
80	Shares Baltimore City 4% Stock Par $100	7,200.00
185	Shares American Hardware Corporation Par $100	18,500.00
13,500	First Mortgage on 601 Cathedral St., Baltimore, Md.	13,500.00
	Ground Rents on Properties at 920, 924, 1040 and 1042 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.	4,959.88
4,000	Note of Mrs. W. J. Harper Due Dec. 30, 1921	4,000.00
6,000	Mtge. on 2511 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.	6,000.00
500	Advance on Purchase of 18 E. Mt. Vernon Place, Baltimore, Md.	500.00
		$173,810.91

TRUST FUNDS, 31st JULY, 1922.

Teachers' and Preachers' Fund	$2,000.00
Scholarship Fund	500.00

	Book Values
Day Memorial Fund	$1,215.14
August Wendt Fund	1,000.00
Eberhardt Fisher Bequest	1,775.00
Martin L. and Mary C. Hessong, Bequest	2,000.00
Charles S. Weiser, Bequest	1.000.00
J. B. Burgner, Bequest	400.00
Miss Clementine E. Sell, Bequest	500.00
Gilbert Memorial Fund	2,000.00
R. Ellie Harpster Fund	600.00
William J. Campbell Memorial Fund	300.00
William M. Baum Memorial Fund	2,000.00
Mrs. S. Zimmerman Fund	600.00
Trinity Church Scholarship Fund (Catasauqua, Pa.)	600.00
William J. McClenchan Fund	1,000.00
Marvin Woodruff Fund	1,000.00
Gettysburg College Fellowship Fund	500.00
Edmund D. Graff Missionary Fund	10,000.00
Dr. John Nicum Fund	5,248.12
Catherine Immel Fund	500.00
Legacy of Matilda C. Houser	2,500.00
Bequest of J. George Wagner	1,000.00
Bequest of Mrs. Mary A. Ratzel	2,000.00
Bequest of Rev. B. W. Schmauk	2,000.00
Gift of Unknown Donor	2,000.00
Legacy of Mary Wagner	1,000.00
Gift of Mrs. Malinda Pallatt	50.00
Gift of Rev. Prof. Dr. J. Fry	1,000.00
Bequest of Clara Schlegelmilch	1,000.00
Rev. John Schunk Memorial Fund	500.00
Weiskotten Memorial Fund	2,000.00
Legacy of Charlotte Swenson	900.00
William H. Trabert Foundation	500.00
Nellie L. Williams Fund	500.00
Legacy of Captain William M. Birely	18,500.00
W. E. Schaeffer Fund	4,750.00
St. Paul's Church Fund (Denver, Colo.)	500.00
Trabert Memorial Fund	500.00
Alleman Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Emma Cook Endowment Fund	1,000.00
Muhlenberg College Fellowship Fund	114.20
*India College Endowment Fund	45,000.00
	$123,052.46

*Transferred from Reformation Diamond Jubilee Advance Fund.

ANNUITY FUNDS, 31st JULY, 1922.

Minna Barth	$250.00
Emma C. Snyder	1,000.00
G. D. Bernheim and Amanda C. Bernheim	6,000.00
J. H. Rehder	1,000.00
Lewis D. Peeler	500.00
J. E. Cooper	2,500.00
Amanda C. Bernheim	2,000.00
M. Louisa Earnest	300.00

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Harroway	$2,000.00
Mrs. H. E. Monroe	500.00
George and Anna Haibeck	400.00
Mrs. Lavina Metzker	3,000.00
Jennie B. Angstadt	150.00
Fred and Maggie Mehring	20,000.00
Leonora Scheu	300.00
Rosa Scheu	200.00
Dr. and Mrs. Luther Kuhlman	1,000.00
Cath. S. and Clara V. Sadtler	500.00
Emma L. N. Boileau	500.00
E. Jessie N. Hoffman	500.00
S. A. Hedges	400.00
	$43,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS

for the Year Ended 31st July, 1922.

India Seminary Building	$1,760.85
Japan Lutheran Theological Seminary	3,849.95
Japan Chapel	5,341.83
Japan Station Equipment	5,680.38
Japan Property (Keck Estate)	457.18
Japan Girls' School	582.78
Buenos Aires Station Equipment	8,492.94
China Famine Relief	163.67
Gettysburg Assembly Station, Africa	3,096.76
Holland Memorial Fund	2,577.63
New Kodaikanal Property	437.62
Muhlenberg Mission Equipment Fund	1,334.00
Quadri-Centennial Fund	9,172.52
Rajahmundry New Church	6,738.72
Reformation Diamond Jubilee Advance Fund	152,812.27
Silver Jubilee	2,540.42
Charlotte Swenson Memorial	170.88
Tarlupadu Hospital	3,751.61
New School at Ituni, S. A.	141.50
Brown Memorial	1,863.52
	$200,730.93

Philadelphia, August 28, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America for the two years ended July 31, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing statements of

Receipts and Disbursements,
Balance Sheet,
Securities,
Trust Funds,
Annuity Funds,
Miscellaneous Funds,

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

Respectfully submitted,
L. B. WOLF, *Treasurer.*

In connection with the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions, that part of the Executive Board's Report (III, B, 2, c) referring to the United Christian College in India was read.

On motion of the Rev. George Drach, the privilege of the floor was granted, during the discussion of the Report of the Foreign Mission Board, to members of that Board who were not delegates to the Convention.

On motion the Rev. E. L. Coleman, returned missionary from India, addressed the Convention concerning the educational problems in India.

Resolution 1 was adopted and intercession was made for our Foreign Missionaries, the Rev. John Wagner leading in prayer; for the native Christian pastors, the Rev. E. H. Delk leading; for all our brethren in the field, the Rev. J. A. Singmaster leading; for non-Christians, the Rev. H. E. Jacobs, leading.

Resolution 2. The President ruled that the motion to adopt was not in order inasmuch as at a previous session of this Convention item 1 of the Financial Plan in the Report of the Executive Board (VIII, 6, (1) 1) had been adopted.

Dr. Drach moved to reconsider item 1.

The Chair ruled that a motion to reconsider item 1 having failed at a previous session a renewal of the motion was out of order and could not be put in case one member of the Convention should object.

Objection having been raised the motion to reconsider was declared out of order.

The Secretary thereupon asked whether this question of audits might not be discussed in connection with the item concerning audits in the Executive Board's Report which has not yet been adopted as a whole. On this question the President rules affirmatively.

Resolution 3. Adopted.

Resolution 4. Pending the discussion of this resolution, the Convention adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. B. Focht.

Afternoon Session

Friday, October 20th, 2:00.

The Rev. A. R. Wentz conducted Devotions.

The Minutes of Thursday morning session were read and approved.

The Secretary submitted the report as to the roll of the Convention as follows:

The roll as printed in the Bulletin is correct as to numbers. A number of alternates have been substituted for principals. In all there are 507 delegates; 489 are present.

All the Synods are represented with the exception of the Nova Scotia. Of the absentees 2 are of the Michigan Synod, 2 of the Wartburg Synod, 3 of the German Synod of Nebraska, 1 of the Mississippi Synod, 2 of the Kansas Synod, 1 of the North Carolina Synod, 1 of the Susquehanna Synod, 3 of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, 2 of the Nova Scotia Synod and 1 of the New York Synod.

On motion the Secretary was authorized to correct the roll in accordance with the statements presented in this report.

The fourth of the resolutions recommended by the Board of Foreign Missions, namely, that concerning Newspaper Evangelism was again taken up. During the discussion the Secretary presented a comparative statement of the contributions of the several denominations to this cause. On the motion to adopt this resolution the Rev. L. S. G. Miller, returned missionary from Japan, addressed the Convention. The resolution was adopted.

The fifth recommended resolution, concerning the China Mission, was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Drach, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions be and is hereby authorized to make a special appeal to the congregations for the sum of $300,000 in order to cancel its indebtedness and to provide means for imperative advanced work in our mission field.

The Rev. Wm. M. Horn moved that this resolution be referred to the Executive Board.

The Rev. J. S. Simon moved that the Executive Board be instructed to grant permission to the Foreign Mission Board. The Chair ruled this motion out of order in view of By-Laws Section V, subsection B, item 4. The Rev. Mr. Simon appealed from the decision of the Chair. A motion on the appeal was put resulting

in the sustaining of the Chair's decision. The discussion continued upon the original motion, namely that the resolution be referred to the Executive Board.

The Rev. Theo. Posselt moved to amend the motion by adding the words "and that the Board report to this Convention." The amendment was unanimously carried.

The motion as amended was unanimously adopted.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was adopted as a whole.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel reported the following recommendation:

That the By-Laws be amended by striking from the list of Standing Committees the name of the "Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains" and inserting therefor the "Committee on Army and Navy Work."

This was received as notification of an amendment to the By-Laws to be acted on at a later session during the Convention.

On motion of the Committee of Reference and Counsel a special order was adopted which was followed as here reported.

The Rev. H. C. Alleman, representative of the United Lutheran Church in America on the Advisory Board of the American Bible Society, presented his report.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE IN THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

I beg to submit my second biennial report as the representative of The United Lutheran Church in the Advisory Board of the American Bible Society. This Board comprises the following denominations and representatives, so far as the appointments have been made:

Denomination	*Representative*
Church of the Brethren	Rev. A. C. Wieand, D.D., Chicago
Congregational	Rev. W. W. Scudder, D.D., New York City
Disciples of Christ	Rev. Stephen E. Fisher, Champaign, Ill.
Evangelical Association	
Augustana Synod, Lutheran	Rev. F. Jacobson, Brooklyn, N. Y.
African Methodist Episcopal	
African Methodist Episcopal Zion	Rev. W. C. Brown, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Colored Methodist Episcopal	Rev. S. B. Wallace, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.
Methodist Episcopal	Bishop L. B. Wilson, New York City
Methodist Episcopal South	
Methodist Protestant	Rev. T. H. Lewis, D.D., Westminster, Md.
Moravian	Rev. Edward S. Wolle, New York City
Presbyterian, U. S. A.	Rev. A. E. Keigwin, New York City

Denomination	*Representative*
Presbyterian, U. S.	Rev. Russell Cecil, D.D., Richmond, Va.
Cumberland Presbyterian	Rev. D. W. Fooks, Nashville, Tenn.
Reformed Presbyterian	Rev. Walter McCarroll, New York City
United Presbyterian	Rev. James Parker, Jersey City, N. J.
Protestant Episcopal	John W. Wood, D.C.L., New York City
Reformed Church in America	Rev. E. J. Blekkink, D.D., Holland, Mich.
Christian Reformed	Rev. L. Trap, Whitinsville, Mass.
Reformed Church in U. S.	Rev. W. S. Cramer, D.D., Lancaster, Pa.
Seventh-day Adventist	Rev. J. L. Shaw, Washington, D. C.
United Lutheran Church	Rev. H. C. Alleman, D.D., Gettysburg, Pa.

This Board meets annually in the month of November to consider the recommendations of the secretaries and the treasurer and submits its findings to the Board of Managers, with whom it is invited to sit throughout their consideration. Your representative was present at the meeting in November, 1921, at which time the following representatives were present: Revs. Wieand, Wolle, Keigwin, Cecil, Fooks, McCarroll, Blekkink, Cramer, Wood and Alleman. The estimated total budget for 1922 was $1,236,277, and the estimated income, $1,031,000. Of the latter amount but $400,000 will accrue from the business of the Bible House itself, while $300,000 is expected to come from the Churches. The Methodist Episcopal Church has led the way in placing the cause of the society in its budget of benevolence. The Reformed Church in America announced that it had done the same in the amount of 1%. This is really the asking of the society. When it is remembered that the society put the Bible on the market in 163 languages and dialects in 1921 and put over 4,000,000 copies of the Bible in circulation, the appeal seems reasonable. The American Bible Society is in the 107th year of its history. It was organized solely for the dissemination of the Scriptures and on this basis has done its monumental work. It is a generic institution and deserves the support of all Christian bodies. Your representative recommends,

First, that The United Lutheran Church be asked, through its Executive Board, to place the society in its budget for 1% of the benevolence of the Church; and,

Secondly, that The United Lutheran Church continue its representation in the Advisory Board.

Respectively submitted,

HERBERT C. ALLEMAN,
Representative of The United Lutheran Church.

In connection with the consideration of this report Dr. Alleman by provision of the special order addressed the Convention on the subject of Luther's translation of the New Testament, the 400th Anniversary of which event was celebrated in September of this year.

Recommendation 1 of the report was adopted. Recommendation 2 adopted.

On recommendation of the Committee of Reference and Counsel it was moved and carried that immediately following Dr. Alleman's address the American Bible Society be given ten minutes. This also was carried out and Dr. Alleman introduced Mr. Frank H. Mann, Secretary of the American Bible Society, who addressed the Convention.

On recommendation of the same Committee it was moved and carried that presentation of the Report of the Committee on Women's Work and the hearing of the representative of the Women's Missionary Society be made a special order immediately following the close of the Report of the Home Mission Board tomorrow morning.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF NORTHWESTERN MISSIONS

In submitting the report of its operations during the last two years the Board of North Western Missions would first of all gratefully acknowledge both the material help as well as the brotherly co-operation of all parts of the Church, by which it has been greatly inspired and encouraged in the difficult task with which it has been entrusted by the United Lutheran Church. Like all bilingual activity the work of the Board calls for the very best of men and can be carried on successfully only, if the necessary patience is exercised and proper allowance made for existing conditions.

Meetings.

To save expenses the Board decided to meet only twice a year—in the spring and in the fall. In the interim all necessary business is transacted by its Executive Committee. All meetings are held in the committee room of Zion Lutheran Church, 125-131 Henry Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Election of Officers.

It is stipulated in the charter, which was granted by the legislature of the Empire State, that the annual meeting must be held in New York on the 10th of November. At this meeting the officers are elected every other year, after the convention of the United Lutheran Church.

The present officers are the following: President, E. C. J. Kraeling, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Vice President, C. W. Knudten, D.D., Chicago, Ill.; Recording Secretary, G. A. Benze, D.D., Erie, Pa.; Treasurer, H. D. E. Siebott, Philadelphia, Pa.

These four officers together with Mr. Martin Wulff, Mt. Vernon, New York, constitute the Executive Committee. The Rev. P. Ludwig, Barrington, New Jersey—a member of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania—is the salaried field or general secretary of the Board.

The General Secretary.

While not a member of the Board the General Secretary is present at all meetings both of the Board as well as of the Executive Committee—attends meetings of Synods in order to present our work; visits the different mission fields, whenever that is necessary or desirable and gives all available information to the Board or its President as may be required.

Mission Paper.

"Siloah" has been for more than thirty years the official organ of the Board. The following constitute the Editorial Committee: E. C. J. Kraeling, Editor-in-Chief; C. R. Tappert, P. Ludwig, G. H. Wiencke. Its agent has been Ph. Kirchner. It is printed by Bartels & Dersch, P. O. Box 566, Reading, Pa., and appears monthly in 4,000 copies. It is self-sustaining.

Mission Superintendents.

The Board has at present three salaried Mission Superintendents: the Rev. H. Becker, Manitoba Synod; the Rev. G. H. Wiencke, Nebraska Synod; the Rev. O. Doering, Wartburg Synod.

Three more capable men than these could hardly be found. In the other two Synods—the Synod of Canada and the Synod of Texas—the work is carried on by a Synodical Mission Committee without a salaried superintendent.

Quarterly Reports.

By means of the quarterly parochial reports, issued by the Board sent to all missionaries in order to be filled out and returned to the Board by mission superintendents or secretaries of the synodical mission committee, the Board is enabled to keep in close touch with the conditions prevailing in the different mission fields and parishes and can base its action in every single instance on the most explicit and reliable information. These reports are received by the President of the Board, who after examining them turns them over to the general secretary to be tabulated and filed for reference.

Our Field.

At the present time the Board has under its care all mission work in the Manitoba Synod, the Canada Synod, the Nebraska Synod, the Wartburg Synod and the Texas Synod. It also provides for a few congregations connected with the Pacific Synod, which were entrusted to it originally by the Michigan Synod.

Mission Work in the Manitoba Synod.

As the Manitoba Synod covers the three provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—and is divided into three conferences named after these provinces an idea can be formed of the magnitude of our task especially if it is remembered that these three provinces cover an area of nearly 800,000 square miles.

It was at the suggestion of the Canada Synod that work was commenced in Manitoba about thirty-five years ago by the Rev. H. C. Schmieder. Out of this small beginning has grown the present Manitoba Synod, which celebrated its twenty-fifth jubilee, July 20 to the 24, 1922, in Winnipeg.

Surely nobody will ask in the face of these facts, whether the results justify the sacrifices which have been brought by the Church during all these years; and we may say without fear of being contradicted, that if the church had spent three times the amount of money and had more amply provided for the necessary men the Manitoba Synod would be almost in sole possession of the field today and would be strong enough to provide for its own mission work.

In the Manitoba conference we have ten mission congregations and three preaching places; these are: Gretna, Rosenfeld, Thalberg, Grunewald, Camper, Moosehorn, Ashern, Schevlin, Niverville, Friedensfeld, Dresden, Snowflake, Osnabrock.

These last three are situated in the State of North Dakota. Five missionaries are stationed here and take care of this vast field. The number of souls is 1,700.

In the Saskatchewan conference we have eleven mission congregations. They are: Esk-Guernsey, Eigenheim, Saskatoon, Rosthern, Bergheim, Elbourne, Serath, Hubbard, Goodeve, Luseland.

Here eight missionaries are stationed. The number of souls is 1,400.

In the Alberta Conference we have eight mission congregations and one preaching place. They are: Edmonton, Vegreville, Strathcona, Wiste, New Sarepta, Hay Lake, Heimtal, Rosenthal, Stettler.

Here four missionaries are stationed. The number of souls is 1,500.

In this report the names of those congregations which in the course of time have become self-sustaining are not mentioned.

Prospects.

Our Mission Superintendent, the Rev. H. Becker, of whom we cannot speak too highly, expresses the hope that quite a few congregations will soon become self-sustaining. When the present immigration laws will be changed, which may come about sooner than generally expected, wonderful opportunities will present themselves to the Manitoba Synod, for which it must make ample provision and the time to do that is *now*.

The College at Saskatoon.

Before the Washington Convention of the United Lutheran Church the name "Saskatoon" was almost unknown. Who had ever heard of it! And

yet we had a college here—a Lutheran college and the Northwestern Mission Board had supported that college ever since its beginning, realizing that it was absolutely necessary to the future wants and growth of our church in that distant region.

True we have received and will receive many of our best workers and leaders from Kropp. Without that great institution (now Brecklum-Kropp) to which we are under great obligations the Board of Northwestern Missions would have been helpless and the rise of the Manitoba Synod impossible.

As our work, however, is becoming more and more bilingual in character and as in the course of time the English language will become more and more predominant, we must see to it that we train young men, born on the soil, the sons of our Pastors and Missionaries, or other Lutheran boys, for the ministry, to fill the vacancies later on and to start new work, wherever necessary. Not only the Manitoba Synod or the Northwestern Mission Board or the Board of Education but the whole Church must take cognizance of that. The faculty of Saskatoon College at present consists of three professors, and the Rev. H. W. Harms is the director.

Mission Work in the Canada Synod.

Up to the time of the Washington Convention all mission work in its territory was carried on by the Canada Synod itself without any help either from the former General Council or the United Lutheran Church. This shows that the Canada Synod, though numerically not a large body, brought great sacrifices for that particular work. Up to the time of the World War there had been a steady influx of immigrants and for many of these mission congregations the future seemed to be very bright indeed. When, however, the war broke out in August, 1914, this stream of immigration did not only dwindle down but ceased altogether, and as a natural result the growth of many of these congregations was arrested and some of them almost before they could realize it found themselves on the down grade! This will of course be quite different when conditions again right themselves and a new immigration sets in.

Under the supervision of the Synodical Mission Committee and with the help of the Northwestern Mission Board the work is being continued and there is all reason to hope that some time or other the tide will turn again.

The following are the names of the mission congregations:

(1) Chesley, Wiarton;
(2) Armprior, Northcote;
(3) Ladysmith, Schwartz;
(4) Grattan, Silverlake, Sebastopol;
(5) East Zorra, Plattsville;
(6) Massey;
(7) Ranhein, Bethlehem, Bonchere;
(8) Palmer Rapids, Raglan, Denbigh, Maynooth, together with two preaching places, Quadeville and Bangor.

These eight parishes are served by eight missionaries. As the distances in some of these parishes between the different congregations are abnormally great, the task of these missionaries is by no means an easy one, especially during the long cold Canadian winter months.

Two preaching places should be mentioned yet—Port Elgin and Auburn—which, however, have no missionary of their own but are taken care of by a neighboring Pastor. In three of the parishes the English language is used together with the German.

Our Work in the Nebraska Synod.

Under the able guidance of the Rev. G. K. Wiencke, Superintendent of Missions since 1918, who has traveled in that time almost 50,000 miles and has himself organized many congregations, the work in Nebraska has made very good progress. While in 1920 there were 20 mission congregations served by 13 missionaries, we now have 23 mission congregations and one preaching place, served by 16 missionaries. Twelve of these are in Nebraska, one in South Dakota, four in Colorado, three in Northwestern Texas, two in Oklahoma, one in Kansas. The value of the Church property of all these is $97,020. The debt is $13,008. Of the four new congregations organized during that time ,three have joined the Synod: St. Luke's, West Kendrich, Colo.; Immanuel, Lodge Pole, Neb.; St. Paul's, East Kendrich, Colo. The cornerstone was laid for two new Churches in the cities of Baziae, Kan., and Lodge Pole, Neb.

The total number of Communicants is 1,240.

In the Sunday Schools there are 716 children. The Young People's Societies have 203 members. The Ladies' Aid Societies 176 members. $10,939.96 was paid in for the maintenance of the Church property, $7,700 toward the salaries of missionaries, $2,596.14 for benevolent purposes.

In almost all of these congregations, with the exception of a few German Mission country congregations, the English language is used alongside of the German language in the Sunday Schools, the Young People's Societies and in the evening services. Some of them have introduced the English language in the morning service.

During the summer months of this year the Mission Superintendent was visiting the Northeastern part of Montana with the object of gathering in the German Lutherans, who, according to reports received, are said to be quite numerous there.

Martin Luther Seminary in Lincoln, Nebraska.

In this Seminary, which fills a great need of the Church and is the property of the German Nebraska Synod, 15 students are preparing for the ministry. Inasmuch as they are all unable to provide for their own support the Board of Northwestern Missions has given them stipends and in that way made it possible for them to continue their studies which otherwise they would have been forced to abandon. All of them have solemnly pledged themselves to serve our Board for a number of years

as soon as they are ordained. The faculty consists of three professors, and the Rev. F. Wupper, D.D., is the Director.

Our Work in the Wartburg Synod.

On the first of April, 1921, the Rev. Otto Doering, formerly Pastor of St. John's, Napoleon, Ill., was called as Superintendent of Missions for the Wartburg Synod. Under his energetic direction excellent progress has been made. Of the twelve mission congregations, which are under his especial care, four were organized during the last war.

The list of congregations is as follows:

Tabor, Chicago; St. Paul, Chicago; Friedens, Chester; St. Johannis, Chicago; Wartburg, Chicago; Martin Luther, Chicago; St. Paulus, Burr Oak; Salems, McConnell; Mt. Clare, Chicago; St. Paul's, Guttenberg; Christus, Cullman; Friedens, Chicago.

These twelve mission congregations number 1,413 baptized and 822 confirmed members. They are served by eleven missionaries. They have seven Churchs, three Chapels, two Parsonages, representing a value of $65,000, with a total debt of $23,670.

In the twelve Sunday Schools 89 men and women teach 1,010 scholars. In the 27 societies, either Young People's Societies, Men's, Ladies' or Mission Societies, there are 613 members.

Since the last meeting of the United Lutheran Church, 668 baptized and 381 confirmed members have been added. Work has also been commenced in a number of promising preaching places.

It will be noted that special attention has been paid to mission work in Chicago, for of the twelve mission congregations seven are situated in that metropolis of the West, certainly a wonderful record.

Some Details.

1. Ev. Luth. Tabor Congregation, Maplewood Avenue, Chicago, Ill., was organized in 1909 but made little progress. As soon as under the present Pastor the German language was introduced besides the English since 1921, it commenced to grow rapidly, 120 souls having been added in one year.

2. Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Congregation, corner Dickens and Lawler Avenues, Chicago, Ill., organized 1912, is bound to have a good future as it is the only German English Lutheran congregation in the Craigen districts.

3. Ev. Luth. Friedens Congregation, Chester, Ill., organized 1907, Chester is a county seat and a typically Western and growing city. Services are held in both languages.

4. Ev. Luth. St. Johannis Congregation, Argyle and Laramie Avenues, Chicago, Ill., organized by the Congregationalists in 1914, became Lutheran in 1916, being composed mostly of Lutherans, i. e., German and Russians. So far the work is almost exclusively German and very successful, seventy-five having been added in a short time.

5. Ev. Luth. Wartburg Congregation, Berwyn, Ill., Southwest Chicago, has grown from 50 in 1921 to 136; the work there is bilingual and very promising.

6. Martin Luther Congregation, Narragansett Avenue, Chicago, Ill. (Douning), founded in 1918, has had a hard struggle in the past but is now looking toward a brighter future. Not long ago $500 was paid off on the mortgage.

7. Ev. Luth. St. Paulus' Congregation, Burr-Oak, Iowa, composed of Norwegians and German farmers, has a good church parsonage and three acres of land. It received once from the Church Extension Society $225 but has still a debt of $5,345.

8. Ev. Luth. Salem Congregation, McConnell, Ill., organized on May 1, 1922, by the Mission Superintendent, has a church and cemetery free of debt. This field had been given up by the Home Mission Board as unprofitable, but has a good future now.

9. Ev. Luth. Church, Mt. Clare, Nordica and Palmers Streets, Chicago, Ill., organized 1920, has a nice chapel and building, lot 200x200 valued at about $14,000. It has 30 contributing members, 25 in Sunday School, 30 in Young People's Societies. It has a large debt: Humboldt Park Bank $4,500, Northwestern Mission Board $3,000, Mr. W. Heim $1,700, Mr. Pohly $1,500. The services are held mostly in the English language. The location is of special strategic value to the United Lutheran Church.

10. St. Paulus Ev. Luth Congregation, Guttenberg, Iowa, organized in the fall of 1921 by the Superintendent, has now 126 contributing members. More than half of this number had first to be instructed, baptized and confirmed; only four or five families came from other churches.

One member, a lawyer and Mayor of the town, gave up his office in order to be able to lend more of his time to Church work. The town is situated on the bank of the Mississippi and the prospects are excellent.

11. Ev. Luth. Christus Congregation, Cullman, Ala., was organized by the Mission Superintendent in February, 1922, with 104 members. There is every reason to expect that this congregation will have a great future, provided that the Church Extension Society will come to its aid with a handsome sum of about $10,000. The members, both old and young people, are bringing big sacrifices.

12. Ev. Luth. Friedens Congregation, corner Wood and Iowa Streets, Chicago, Ill., will have a better prospect if it can change its location. Its Church property to the value of $5,000 is free of debt.

Our Work in Texas.

From the time the Rev. E. F. Bachmann, D.D., visited this field the work in the Texas Synod has received a new impetus. It can be divided into three parts. The first of these comprises the older mission congregations. In the second are found the congregations and preaching places, which have been added in the last biennium and in the last all such places

where preliminary work has either been done already or is to be done in the near future.

A—The Older Congregations.

1. Trinitatis Congregation, Miles, Texas, has an average attendance of 70 to 100. There are 34 confirmed members, 60 scholars in the Sunday School. Services are held mostly in the German language. The Church has a seating capacity of 150.

2. First Lutheran Church, Tivoli, Texas, consists of 19 confirmed and 53 baptized members. In the Sunday School there are 16 children. Services are held in a rented hall, partly in the English, partly in the German language.

3. Emmanuel Congregation, Inez, Texas, with a membership of 45, has no Church building. Services are held in a so-called "Union Church." The English language is used altogether.

4. A preaching place, Bloomington, Texas. Though at present there are very few Lutherans at this place, it would be poor policy to give it up, as oil may be found and the experience of Wichita Falls might repeat itself, where a town of 8,000 inhabitants was changed into a thriving city of 40,000 inhabitants in a few months. Service is held once a month.

B—New Congregations.

5. St. Johannes Congregation, Goliad, Texas, has a membership of 142 baptized and 83 confirmed members. There are 54 scholars in the Sunday School. The German language is used principally, but one service in the month is conducted in the English language.

6. Friedens Congregation, Vernon, Texas, has built a Church costing $3,000 which was dedicated on the 25th of June this year. Twelve families have joined so far and the average Sunday attendance at the service is about 125.

7. Preaching place, George West, Texas. So far no congregation has been organized yet. About 44 baptized and 15 confirmed have visited the services. "Mr. George West has given the Mission Committee of the Texas Synod a whole city block as a present," writes Rev. E. A. Sievert.

8. Preaching place, Alice, Texas. No congregation yet but the prospects are good. About 48 baptized and 38 confirmed came to the service.

9. Preaching place, Corpus Christi, Texas. A beautiful city. So far no congregation has been organized here, but services are held regularly. About 25 baptized and 11 confirmed members take part in them.

C—Prospective Fields.

Orange Grove (preaching place), Ballenger (preaching place), Mission—Donna, Sinton, San Angelo (canvassed already), Boerne, New Braunfels, Fort Bend County, Port Arthur. For the last places a traveling missionary has just been called.

All mission work is done by four missionaries, however more are needed, if we want to cover the field properly. True, the congregations are comparatively quite small, but they will grow in time.

WORK IN THE PACIFIC SYNOD.

Camas, Wash.—This congregation has a small church and parsonage. It has 64 baptized, 32 confirmed and 25 contributing members.

Aurora, Ore. (Macksburg)—The baptized number 102, confirmed 72, contributing 25. It has a small church and parsonage.

At Oregon City, Ore., there is a congregation, which has its own Pastor; also at Medford, Ore.

All these congregations are under the special supervision of the Rev. F. W. Bussard, President of the Pacific Synod.

MEXICO.

Through official channels the attention of the Northwestern Mission Board has been called to a new field, where possibly great opportunities are awaiting us—Mexico.

There are many Lutherans in some of the larger cities, mostly German Lutherans, who have no Churches and no Pastors to look after them.

There is also a possibility, and by no means a remote one, that before long many German Russians (Lutherans) will leave Russia and settle in Mexico, somewhat after the manner in which the Menonites have left Canada and have settled in Mexico.

One of their representatives, Prof. Gloeckler, having just returned from a tour of investigation, and after a conference with the Mexican authorities which had impressed him very favorably has written a report that was transmitted to us, in which he urges the United Lutheran Church to take up the work among the German Lutherans in Mexico without delay.

Invoking the blessings of God upon our Dear Church and its convention at Buffalo, I have the honor to be in behalf of the Northwestern Mission Board.

E. C. J. KRAELING,
President of the Board.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF NORTHWESTERN MISSIONS

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	Mission Fund	Church Building Fund	Siloah Fund
United Church, on Apportionment	$27,110.56	$.....	$.....
United Church, Specials	1,068.49	.....	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	973.54	.....	.....
Women's Missionary Society	125.00	.....	.....
Donations for Saskatoon College	2,486.69	.....	.....
Donations for Lincoln Seminary	100.00	.....	.....
General Donations	78.88	113.35	.....
Repayment of Loans	.....	500.00	.....
Subscriptions for Siloah	.....	.....	428.98
Subscriptions for Der Treue Zeuge	.....	.....	100.00

Interest on Mortgage	.....	$152.50	.....
Bank Interest	$222.73	.....	.....
	$32,165.89	$765.85	$528.98

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of Missionaries	$17,948.69	$.....	$.....
Salaries of District Superintendents	3,683.32	.....	.....
Salary of General Secretary	2,300.00	.....	.....
Expenses of Missionaries	1,862.50	.....	.....
Expenses of District Superintendents	311.30	.....	.....
Expenses of General Secretary	769.48	.....	.....
Expenses of Officers and Board Members	1,929.90	.....	.....
Manitoba Synod for College Professorships	4,183.33	.....	.....
Aid to Students preparing for Mission Field	1,436.25	.....	.....
Special Donations, forwarded	2,661.69	.....	.....
Legal and Auditing Expense	470.50	.....	.....
Printing and Stationery	49.50	.....	.....
Interest on Loans paid to Churches	174.00	.....	.....
Bank charges, exchange, etc	38.22	.....	.....
Printing and Mailing Siloah	.....	.....	784.00
Printing and Mailing Der Treue Zeuge	.....	.....	121.00
Editorial and Office Expense	.....	.....	22.00
	$37,818.68	.....	$927.00
Excess of Receipts	.....	$765.85	.....
Deficit of Receipts	$5,652.79	.....	$398.02
Balances, July 31, 1920	7,633.34	7,319.78	.....
Deficit, July 31, 1920	.....	.....	12.22
Balances, July, 31, 1921	1,699.01	8,085.63	.....
Deficit, July 31, 1921	.....	.....	128.70

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922

RECEIPTS.

	Mission Fund	Church Building Fund	Siloah Fund
United Church, on Apportionment	$29,166.29	$.....	$.....
United Church, Specials	3,595.14	.....	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	631.36	.....	.....
Board of Education, Saskatoon College Campaign Funds, forward	14,312.09	.....	.....
Donations for Saskatoon College	117.00	.....	.....
Donation for Kropp Seminary	50.00	.....	.....
General Donations	39.00	.....	.....
Repayment of Loans	.....	400.00	.....
Subscriptions for Siloah	.....	.....	208.38
Subscriptions for Der Treue Zeuge	.....	.....	105.50
Interest on Mortgage	.....	145.00	.....
Bank Interest	176.14	.....	.....
Bank Loans	7,000.00	.....	.....
	$55,087.02	$545.00	$313.88

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of Missionaries	$25,203.29	.....	.....
Salaries of District Superintendents	4,600.00	.....	.....
Salary of General Secretary	2,600.00	.....	.....
Expenses of Missionaries in the field	$1,577.82	.....	.....
Expenses of Missionaries moving	613.88	.....	.....
Expenses of District Superintendents	554.45	.....	.....
Expenses of General Secretary	442.44	.....	.....
Expenses of Officers and Board Members	526.99	.....	.....
Manitoba Synod for College Professorships	4,333.33	.....	.....
Aid to Students preparing for Mission Field	2,915.00	.....	.....
Special Donations, forwarded	194.00	.....	.....
Legal and Auditing Expense	250.00	.....	.....
Printing and Stationery	26.25	.....	.....
Interest on Loans paid to Churches	468.00	.....	.....
Interest on Bank Loans	355.95	.....	.....
Bank charges, exchange, etc	141.01	.....	.....
Printing and Mailing Siloah	.....	.....	$716.00
Printing and Mailing Der Treue Zeuge	.....	.....	88.00
Editorial and Office Expense	.....	.....	25.49
Loans to Congregations and Missionaries	60.00	4,650.00	.....
Mission Handbook	183.75	.....	.....
Saskatoon College Campaign Funds, forwd.	8,642.09	.....	.....
	$53,688.25	$4,650.00	$829.49
Excess of Receipts	$1,398.77	.....	.....
Deficiency of Receipts	.....	$4,105.00	$515.61
Balances, July 31, 1921	1,699.01	8,085.63	.....
Deficit, July 31, 1921	.....	.....	128.70
Balances, July 31, 1922	3,097.78	3,980.63	.....
Deficit, July 31, 1922	.....	.....	644.31

BALANCE SHEET, 31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash—In banks	$6,289.10	
On hand	145.00	
		$6,434.10
Loans—To Congregations and Saskatoon College, as annexed	$20,325.00	
To Missionary	60.00	
		$20,385.00
Building Lot in Harriman, Tenn., assessed value		180.00
		$26,999.10

LIABILITIES.

Loans from Bank	$7,000.00	

FUNDS.

Mission Fund	$1,566.91		
Saskatoon College Campaign Fund	5,670.00		
Church Building Fund	13,406.50		
	$20,643.41		
Less Siloah Fund Deficit	644.31	19,999.10	
			$26,999.10

OUTSTANDING LOANS OF CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

July 31st, 1922.

Trinity, Saskatoon, Mortgage		$2,900.00
Trinity, Strathcona, two notes:		
$1,000 due November 15, 1918	$1,000.00	
$2,000 installment notes of $200 each, due annually on April 1st, three paid, seven left	1,400.00	
		2,400.00
St. John's, Edmonton, Mortgage		1,500.00
St. John's, Harts Hill, two installment notes, $100 each, due January 2		200.00
Gartenland, Saskatoon, Canada, two notes:		
$200 due November 24, 1914; paid on account December 28, 1915, $75; balance	$125.00	
$100 due March 25, 1916	100.00	
		225.00
Friedens, Kindersley, Cornfeld, Canada, one note:		
$100 due April 24, 1917; paid on account April 30, 1918, $25; balance		75.00
St. Paul's, Friedensfeld, Canada, ten installment notes of $50 each, due annually on July 1st, three overdue		500.00
Brightholme, Canada, ten installment notes of $50 each, due annually on September 1st, two overdue		500.00
Golden Bay, Canada, ten installment notes of $100 each, due annually on July 1, one paid, one overdue, balance		900.00
Saskatoon College, two notes:		
$1,000 due March 22, 1916; paid on account April 3, 1918, $300; paid on account July 14, 1919, $225; balance due	$475.00	
$6,000 dated July 15, 1920; term indefinite	6,000.00	
		6,475.00
Mont Clare, Chicago, ten installment notes of $200 each, due annually on September 6th	$2,000.00	
Ten installment notes of $100 each, due annually October 24	1,000.00	
		3,000.00
Rosenthal, Leduc, Canada, two installment notes of $75 each, due annually on January 1st; first due 1923		150.00
Immanuel Church, Lodge Pole, Nebraska, ten installment notes of $150 each, due annually on March 15; first due 1925		1,500.00
Total		$20,325.00

H. D. E. Siebott,
Treasurer.

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Northwestern Missions for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922,

Receipts and Disbursements for the Two Years ended 31st July, 1921 and 1922,

Outstanding Loans of Church Building Fund, 31st July, 1922,

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery,
Accountants and Auditors.

After the President of the Board, the Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling, had addressed the Convention he read the following appeal presented in the name of the Board.

The Board of Northwestern Missions prays for immediate relief.

1. It respectfully asks the United Lutheran Church to find ways and means whereby this year's deficit of $11,784.54, which will amount to nearly $25,000.00 by January, 1924, when the new budget will go into effect, will be provided for.

2. It respectfully asks the United Lutheran Church to consent to an increase in the budget of the Northwestern Mission Board from $50,000.00 per annum to $83,000.00 per annum, to be divided in the following way:

$50,000.00 for our old work.
$7,500.00 for work in Nebraska.
$7,500.00 for work in Wartburg Synod.
$4,000.00 for work in Canada.
$4,000.00 for work in Texas.
$5,000.00 for work among Siebenburger Lutherans. (In case that work is turned over to us.)
$5,000.00 for work in Mexico. (In case we are authorized to commence work there.)

3. It respectfully asks the United Lutheran Church to authorize the Board of Northwestern Missions to take up the work in Mexico without delay.

On motion the appeal was referred to the Executive Board with power to act.

The Report of the Northwestern Mission Board was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Mr. Stough, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported nominations for the following Boards:

Board of Education
Parish and Church School Board
Board of Publication

The nominations for the several Boards were adopted and the report was adopted as a whole.

The Report of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was taken up and the President of the Board, the Rev. J. E. Whitteker, addressed the Convention and asked permission for the hearing of the several District Superintendents. Thereupon the Rev. I. C. Hoffman of the Eastern District and the Rev. A. D. R. Hancher of the Southern District were heard.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

In formulating its Second Biennial Report to the United Lutheran Church, the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension aims to present, in addition to the usual tabulated statements, a series of facts which shall make evident the plan and spirit according to which it operates and which, it is hoped, may sooner or later result in new alignments. The development of a work of any sort demands readjustments, from time to time, to meet changing conditions. In all composites, it is the frozen and the fossilized that keep their original shape. The organism that does not grow, decays and dies. And with the ever changing elements that are peculiar to our Church organism, there must be a vision of new possibilities, and a persistency of purpose for their attainments, if we are to fill to the full the sphere of our appointed service. A Forward Movement is essential to every enterprise—not spasmodic, much less erratic—but natural and normal, that these possibilities may be transformed into living and thriving realities.

1. With a field that covers a continent, it is no small task to meet the urgent demands pressing from every point. As is natural, the eye, set on local wants, would make its horizon the limit of the Board's activities; at least, it would claim precedence over all else. A thousand such places may call for immediate assistance, while scarcely a hundred can receive it. What shall be done? It takes more than a toss-up to decide. The leading centers of each district must be canvassed with scrupulous care, and those that give promise of the surest results must be given the preference. Besides, the location must be a strategic one. As is evident, it requires a keen sense and a comprehensive knowledge to discriminate. And the Board is not satisfied till it has the combined judgment—and a unanimous one—of District Superintendents, Synodical Superintendents and Mission Committees; then it takes their findings, carefully reviews the same, and, if found feasible, it pledges sufficient financial support to launch each new enterprise aright. The great aim is to make the mission strong and stable from the start. The Board has planted a number of such Mission—north, south, east and west—with gratifying results.

2. It gives the Board pleasure to record the fine functioning and splendid service of all its missionary forces. There is no overlapping of agencies; each has its distinct sphere. And these combined are adequate. The superiority of our system lies in the fact that there is a chain of agencies from the General Office to the most distant mission point. In considering any particular application for aid, the Board has the recommendation of the Synodical Superintendent and the Synodical Mission Committee, with the added judgment and endorsement of the District Superintendent. Each case is decided on its own merits and the decision is based upon the presentation of official representatives who have visited

the field and studied it in consultation with the missionary and his people. A Mission on the Pacific Coast is in as direct touch with the Board as is a Mission within a stone's cast of the General Office. The location of the Board, therefore, has no bearing on the case. It is the agencies, and the efficiency of the agencies, that counts in every instance. It is not so much a question of latitude or longitude, as of methods and of men to make the methods effective.

3. There have been repeated calls for Church Extension Loans by certain other Home Mission Units of the United Lutheran Church. The question which has puzzled the Board is this: Can the Board consistently make loans to missions in whose management it has neither voice nor vote? In considering this question, your Board expressed it as its judgment that it should have complete oversight of the missions to which its loans are made. The United Lutheran Church, however, at its last convention, placed all its other Home Missions on a plane with the Missions which our Board operates, in the matter of Church Extension Loans. In reply to the Resolution offered by Dr. Klutz (see Min. 1920, p. 220), the Board finds, upon examination, that there is nothing in its Constitution which would prevent it from assisting, with its Church Extension Funds, Home Mission projects that are under the immediate direction of these related Boards. It will therefore deal with all such Missions as it does with those directly under its care. But the Board is unanimous in its judgment that it has no right to divert any of the funds, entrusted to it by the Church, to Missions which are not formally committed to the United Lutheran Church. As to the use of the Church Extension Fund, the Board realizes that if it should be confined to the Missions which the Home Mission and Church Extension Board plants, every other such Board would find it necessary to have its own Church Extension Fund; and that would cause a confusion of interests, a duplication of effort, and a corresponding weakening in results. The Board feels constrained, at this point, to emphasize once more the position it took at the outstart. In its judgment, the United Lutheran Church should have but one Home Mission Board in this western hemisphere. That Board should include men who are conversant with Home Mission work in all its phases; and it should appoint, from its number, Executive Committees to manage its different special interests. One Board would thus take the place of three or more. In that event, the overhead charges would be reduced to a minimum, and there would be a unification of forces and a simplification of processes that would harmonize all possible conflicting interests, become a Mission melting-pot for our various nationalities, and insure the normal and uniform development of all our Home Mission Enterprises. The Board, however, does not make this an issue, it simply refers to it as something that should take shape in the ultimate.

4. The problem of men and means is ever-perplexing as well as ever-present. It is, indeed, the one that worries. The field is so extensive;

the opportunities are so abundant; the demands are so urgent and insistent, that heralds should go forth everywhere and cry aloud to our people that they consecrate their sons and their substance for the extension of the Kingdom of our Christ by a great Missionary Movement. We dare not continue to live at the old dying rate. The effort must be adequate to the enterprise. If the Board is compelled to measure its work by the stated contributions of the Churches, special gifts will decrease and the work will decline. A few years have wrought great changes in Mission Accounts. We must now advance ten thousand dollars where one thousand would once cover the needs of a given case. Our missionaries must now pay in rent what they once needed for their entire support. The Board has, indeed, been able to meet all expenses, with a small balance to its credit; but it has done so at the expense of the cause it has been appointed to advance. There has, indeed, been progress, and that in a marked degree; but the opportunities have far outstripped our activities. And if the appropriation the Board receives is kept down to the low level to which it has been brought and unexpected inroads are made upon its income, the vast fields, ripe unto the harvest, will suffer because there is no one to thrust in the sickle. The Board has no resources except those which the Church furnishes; it has no avenue of approach to our people. It must, therefore, appeal to the Body which commissions it, to set in operation such plans, or authorize it to adopt such measures, as shall enable it to do the whole work which our Church, by her very principles, is pledged to inaugurate and enlarge. In the army of the Lord, a little one shall chase a thousand, while two shall put ten thousand to flight. Double the Board's resources, and the Board will gather a tenfold harvest.

5. The following Reports of the District Superintendents make plain the worth of their services. In the administration of their office, they have saved the Church several-fold the amount of their salaries. This has been made possible, not only because of good business management but, as well, because of the hearty co-operation of Synodical Superintendents and Mission Committees, coupled with the faithful service of our missionaries and the loyal support of their people. It is the moulding of these forces into one large unit that has made possible their evident successes.

Eastern District.

Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman, D.D., Superintendent.

The Eastern District rejoices in the manifest tokens of Divine blessing and in the cordial and constructive co-operation of all interested in the administration of the work of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

1. A Goodly District.

(a) *Geographically,* it extends from the Eastern part of Ohio to the Atlantic Ocean; and from the Southern boundary of Pennsylvania north-

ward to the North Pole. It embraces the Middle Atlantic and New England States; the Ontario, Quebec and Maritime provinces of the Dominion of Canada. These two great countries join hands and hearts for the Christian conquest of the Continent.

"They are not one, and yet not two;
But look alike, as sisters do."

(b) *Historically,* it contains the sacred shrines of Lutheran beginnings made by our ancestors from many nations; and these well established landmarks are an inspiration to all who contemplate the consecration of those who laid firm and strong the foundations of Evangelical Lutheranism in America.

(c) *Synodically,* it includes the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, New York Ministerium, the Synods of New York and New England, New York, Pittsburgh, East Pennsylvania, Alleghany, Central Pennsylvania, West Pennsylvania, Susquehanna, Central Canada and Nova Scotia.

2. Spying Out.

Local, Synodical and sectional surveys have been made. Though partial, they show much to be possessed. A number of new fields, considered to be of strategic importance and of bright prospect, have been entered. The general and generous help given gladly, and in many instances gratuitously, by Synodical, Conferential and Congregational representatives, is gratefully acknowledged. The information thus attained is simply invaluable and forms a firm foundation for substantial building along lines that mean greater conservation of our resources of men and money.

3. Paying the Price.

Our best men are none too good for mission congregations. The Board's policy of paying better salaries, securing the most advantageous location, and erecting attractive buildings, is appealing more and more to gifted and devoted pastors, willing to accept the challenge of the seemingly impossible. Liberal Church Extension Loans and Donations of Interest have played a large part in making possible the many fine Churches built during the Biennium, as well as those in process of building. Paying the price *pays.*

4. Saved to Save.

Christ came to save sinners. This is the primary mission of His Church. Personal and congregational evangelism is being emphasized earnestly by all interested in "carrying on" for Him Who gave Himself for us. It cost Christ His Cross to save sinners. Christ's confessors must be willing to make the sacrifices necessary to function effectively as His witnesses. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Only through loving and liberal expenditure of what God has given to us will we be His "Martyrs" in reality.

5. Ripening Fields.

Yes, the fields are ripe unto the harvest.

(a) *In New England*—The peoples of many nations have entered this section. Lutherans are here in numbers that amaze us as we gain more accurate knowledge. What has been planted and cultivated by the New York Ministerium, the New York and New England Synod, and the New York Synod, is producing most encouragingly. In Boston, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, and other strategic centers, foundations have been laid, and the future will witness God's blessing upon the self-sacrifice of Lutheran pioneers in New England.

(b) *In the Land of the Maple Leaf*—While aggressive work in the Dominion of Canada was hindered by the war and conditions following it, advance has been made by the congregations under the care of the Board. No one can estimate just what are the splendid results of our work carried on in Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph, Kitchener, Waterloo, and other places. A marked forward movement is noted and arrangements have been completed for closer supervision of our Mission operations.

(c) *In America's Metropolis*—No one who knows, doubts that one of our greatest Mission opportunities is found in and around Greater New York. Some of the older congregations on Manhattan and in Brooklyn are losing in membership because of removal from congested centers. Through the Missions organized in Northern New Jersey, on Long Island, and in Westchester County, we are retaining and reclaiming these to the Lutheran Church. We are doing greater things than ever before because of inter-Synodical constructive co-operation, which means the elimination of destructive competition. The "biggest task" is being attacked by those who are determined to conquer through Christ, the Conqueror. The Dominating City of the Western World is yielding to the Church of His Word and Sacraments.

(d) *On the Empire State Express*—In this magnificent train, we go over the trails trodden by our Lutheran ancestors. We think of their good works and of what has been achieved since those early days. We contemplate, with laudable pride, what has been done in towns and cities on "both sides of the Hudson"—in Albany, Troy, Schenectady, Amsterdam, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls. The Macedonian cry of the Empire State is still heard and is being answered as men and means are forthcoming.

(e) *Near and Beyond the Alleghanies*—To us comes the challenge of mighty industrial cities like Altoona, Johnstown and Pittsburgh, to do "God's Big Business." The voice of Passavant, Lutheran Missionary and Philanthropist, is still heard where flows the Monongahela, the Alleghany and the Ohio. It calls for the establishment and extension of Christ's Church. That the Pittsburgh and Alleghany Synods hear the heed, the multiplying Missions clearly manifest.

(f) *Along the Rivers in Eastern and Central Pennsylvania*—Muhlen-

STATISTICAL REPORT—EASTERN DISTRICT

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION OF UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

SYNODS	Mission Parishes July 31, 1920	Appropriations July 31, 1920	Mission Parishes July 31, 1922	Appropriations July 31, 1922	Number of Missions Received Since July 31, 1920	Amount of Appropriation for Same	Number Receiving Increased Appropriations	Amount of Such Increases	Self-Sustaining Between July 31, 1920–July 31, 1922	Amount Released by Same	Number Reducing Appropriations	Amount of Such Reductions	Missions Increasing Salaries	Amount of Such Increases	Number of Vacancies—1920	Number of Vacancies—1922	Parsonages—1920	Parsonages—1922
1 Alleghany	9	$3000	7	$2750	1	$200	0	$....	3	$400	1	$50	2	$300	2	1	7	7
2 Cent. Penna	3	700	1	250	0	.....	0	.....	2	450	0	.....	3	750	0	0	3	1
3 Cent. Canada	5	3200	5	3200	0	.....	0	.....	0	.....	0	.....	1	200	1	1	2	2
4 East Penna	21	9716	21	10760	3	2100	2	380	3	1300	2	136	10	1910	2	1	9	12
5 Min. of Penna	22	10075	12	7180	1	900	3	400	11	3175	6	1020	14	3765	1	0	14	7
6 Nova Scotia	3	1000	3	1100	0	.....	1	100	0	.....	0	.....	1	200	1	0	2	3
7 N. Y. & N. E	8	6250	10	8200	3	2100	5	1150	1	500	2	800	8	2050	2	1	3	3
8 New York	23	10850	17	9050	1	800	4	1000	7	2350	9	1250	13	3020	2	3	10	9
9 Pittsburgh	37	18356	32	17660	3	2400	5	660	8	2840	8	916	12	2202	4	3	14	15
10 Susquehanna	2	620	1	700	0	.....	1	580	1	500	0	.....	2	720	0	0	0	0
11 West Penna.	4	1380	4	1780	0	.....	2	400	0	.....	0	.....	3	500	0	1	2	3
Totals.	137	$65147	113	$62630	12	$8500	23	$4670	36	$11515	28	$4172	69	$15617	15	11	66	62
Average	.....	476	.....	554	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

I. CHANTRY HOFFMAN

berg's motto, "Ecclesia Plantanda," has not been forgotten. The Church has been planted and is being planted along the Delaware, the Schuylkill, the Lehigh, the Susquehanna and the "Blue Juniata." Our oldest mission field remains the newest. A spirit of renewed and ever-increasing consecration seems to be possessing the congregations of the Keystone State, and they are giving loyal and liberal support to all our undertakings.

(g) *In the Cities by the Sea*—Traveling along the ocean boulevard, from Atlantic Highlands to Cape May, we pass the Church of the Atonement, Asbury Park; the new work at Manasquan; St. Andrew's, Atlantic City; St. John's, Ocean City; Messiah, Sea Isle City; Our Saviour, Stone Harbor; Holy Trinity, Wildwood. All of these are, or have been, mission congregations. They invite, and have a right to expect, the heartiest support of Lutherans who go to the shore to live or enjoy a vacation.

Past victories are ample assurance for success in the future. In the name of the Lord of Hosts, we will set up our banners. With faith, and with faith's foresight and fidelity, we will possess America for Christ, and through America, we will possess the world for Him.

Southern District.

Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, D.D., Superintendent.

The Southern District embraces West Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Louisiana and a large part of Texas. According to the census of 1920, the population of these States was 26,691,142.

Scattered throughout this vast expanse of country are about 100,000 Lutherans connected with the United Lutheran Church. These are gathered into eight Synods. On the territory of these Synods, sixty-seven Missions are being developed. In addition to the missionary pastors, there are three Field Missionaries, located in the States of North Carolina, Mississippi and Texas.

During the Biennium, the work has been carried on vigorously, notwithstanding the financial depression, which in several of the Southern States was acute. Churches were built in Macon, Ga.; Birmingham, Ala.; Charleston, S. C.; High Point and Thomasville, N. C. A suitable chapel for our work in Houston, Texas, was purchased; while our Mission in Lynchburg, Va., secured a completed Church. This work was accomplished at an expenditure of $196,450. Plans for and actual work on other Church buildings at this time are, Easton, Md.; two in Baltimore, Md.; Roanoke, Va.; Statesville, Hendersonville, Concord and Brookside, N. C.; Saxe Gotha, Ridge Spring and Clinton, S. C., and St. Petersburg, Fla.

The stimulating effect of the merger has manifested itself in various ways throughout this district:

STATISTICAL REPORT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT

SYNODS	Missions July 31, 1920	Appropriations July 31, 1920	Missions July 31, 1922	Appropriations July 31, 1922	Missions Received Since July 31, 1920	Appropriations for Same	Number Receiving Increased Appropriations	Amount of Such Increase	Self-Sustaining Between July 31, 1920–July 31, 1922	Amount Released by Same	Number Reducing Appropriations	Amount of Such Reductions	Missions Increasing Salaries	Amount of Such Increase	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1920	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1922	Number of Parsonages
1 Maryland	12	$5100	12	$7250	2	$2000	4	$1750	2	$500	3	$250	7	$1210	1	1	6
2 West Virginia	8	3900	6	4150	.....	.....	5	650	2	550	.....	.....	5	850	1	1	3
3 *Virginia	2	900	10	7860	1	400	8	3530	1	400	1	120	3	740	1	2	5
4 **North Carolina	9	4303	15	10353	.....	.....	10	2850	3	535	5	1057	9	1852	6	1	10
5 South Carolina	12	5350	11	5200	2	600	6	1365	3	865	4	730	8	1360	1	5	9
6 Georgia	5	4600	6	5720	1	900	2	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	460	1	.....	3
7 Mississippi	2	1224	6	2600	4	2300	4	2420	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	242	.....	.....	2
8 Texas	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....
Totals	50	$32327	67	$43133	11	$6200	39	$12785	11	$2850	13	$2157	36	$6714	11	10	38

*The Virginia, Southwestern Virginia, and Holston Synods merged in March, 1922.
**The North Carolina and Tennessee Synods merged in March, 1921.

REV. A. D. R. HANCHER, *District Superintendent*

(a) By an increased support of the work, not heretofore possible.

(b) By the consolidation of Synods, as the North Carolina and Tennessee Synods in March, 1921, and the Virginia, Southwestern Virginia, and Holston Synods in March, 1922.

(c) By the same action on the part of certain congregations.

(d) By the response from the Missions themselves, as evidenced in the number becoming self-sustaining, and the larger number materially reducing their appropriations.

(e) By the occupation of new fields in various sections of the district.

An aggressive spirit pervades the work. A loyal support is assured, a final victory is guaranteed, because of Him who said, "He shall cause them that come of Jacob to take root: Israel shall blossom and bud, and fill the face of the world with fruit."

Central District.

Rev. J. F. Seibert, D.D., Superintendent.

(1) *The Field*—The Central is the largest district both from the standpoint of geography and population. It includes fifteen States and three Canadian Provinces, with an area of 1,877,621 square miles.

(a) In this vast domain, there are two hundred and fifty-four cities of over 10,000 population. These include nine of the twenty cities in the whole country of the first class of over 300,000 population, six of the 100,000 class, twenty-five of the 50,000 class, and fifty-six additional of over 25,000.

(b) It is primarily a Lutheran territory. More than two-thirds of the Lutheran Communicants are to be found in the great Mississippi Valley. Moreover, the United Lutheran Church, here too, has attained unto strength. Though it is frequently referred to as the "Eastern Church," it is significant that its confirmed membership is as large as that of either of two other Lutheran Bodies that are usually classed as part of the Western Church, and that have their headquarters in this district.

(2) *The Work*—During the Biennium, our Mission work suffered severe losses in the home-going of the District Superintendent, Rev. H. L. Yarger, D.D., and the tragic death of the Rev. Conrad Huber, D.D., the Missionary Superintendent of the Eastern and Central Conferences of the Synod of Ohio. Seven Synods have Missionary Superintendents, most of whom do field work; and the eighth, the Synod of Illinois, has the work under the direction of the President. Four additional Field Missionaries were added to the staff—one each with Chicago, St. Louis and Detroit as centers; and the fourth for the other cities of Southern Michigan. Twenty-seven new Missions were organized, mostly in centers like Toledo, Detroit, Flint, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Davenport, Kansas City, and other cities of strategic impor-

STATISTICAL REPORT—CENTRAL DISTRICT

SYNODS	Missions July 31, 1920	Appropriations July 31, 1920	Missions July 31, 1922	Appropriations July 31, 1922	Missions Received Since July 31, 1920	Amount of Appropriation for the Same	Number Receiving Increased Appropriations	Amount of Such Increase	Self-Sustaining to July 31, 1922	Amount Released by the Same	Number Reducing Appropriation	Amount of Such Reductions	Missions Increasing Salaries	Amount of Such Increases	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1920	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1922	Number of Parsonages.
1 Ohio	21	$14540	22	$16490	3	$2100	7	$1440	2	$450	9	$1140	11	$3105	1	0	7
2 Indiana	7	4450	11	7575	4	3750	1	350	0	0	6	975	5	1700	1	1	5
3 Michigan	7	4740	8	11290	2	2600	2	4600*	1	300	3	350	1	100	0	1	5
4 Illinois	23	15757	19	17690	5	6380	3	3240*	9	4512	13	3175	14	4442	2	3	6
5 Northwest	19	19860	21	23930	5	4400	7	2300	3	1150	8	1480	10	3990	0	1	6
6 Iowa	9	3620	11	7225	4	2700	5	1680	2	300	4	475	6	2300	1	1	5
7 Nebraska	4	2250	6	4250	3	2750	0	0	1	250	3	500	2	500	1	1	3
8 Kansas	10	4425	11	5700	1	1400	2	550	0	0	5	675	8	2575	1	0	7
Totals	100	$69642	109	$94150	27	26080	27	$14160	18	$6962	51	$8770	57	18712	7	8	44

*Michigan Increase includes appropriation for two Field Missionaries.
*Illinois Increase included appropriation for a Field Missionary.

JOHN F. SEIBERT, *Superintendent*

tance, but of less size. Eighteen have become self-supporting. Of the one hundred and nine listed, one hundred and one have pastors, and with one exception, the rest are served by student supplies.

(3) *The Program.*—Obviously, this cannot and ought not be stated in detail. Everywhere the field is white unto the harvest. The opportunity is unlimited. As God gives wisdom and the Church supplies the men and money, the work will continue to be systematically stressed:

(a) To meet the challenging responsibility of the great cities and to occupy the most strategic of the twenty-nine cities of 25,000, the thirty-five of over 15,000, and the fifty-seven of over 10,000, without the United Lutheran Church, that are not adequately cared for by other Lutheran Bodies, as well as to enter the most important centers of Northwest Canada—

(b) To continue the work of the past Biennium until the most important educational centers shall have established congregations worshiping in properly equipped buildings—

(c) To plant the Church, as there may be need, in the rural communities, especially in the newly developing great States of the Northwest, and into which other Denominations are pouring men and money.

Western District.

Rev. J. F. Seibert, D.D., Acting Superintendent.

(1) *The Field*—This district comprises ten States west of the Rocky Mountains, and the Province of British Columbia in Canada. Territorially, it is the second in size, with an area of 1,389,000 square miles. Though this is a comparatively new country, the population now numbers more than nine million.

(a) It is strictly missionary territory. Three Synods—the Rocky Mountain, Pacific and California—with a combined confirmed membership of less than eight thousand, are almost wholly a product of Home Missions, and perhaps two-thirds of the congregations are now supported from the Mission Treasury. Three of the States—Nevada, Idaho and Utah—are without a United Lutheran Church. Phoenix, the Capital of Arizona, and Laramie, the university city of Wyoming, represent our strength in these States; while in New Mexico we have but two Churches, Albuquerque and Belen.

(b) The work of the district centers in Colorado, Washington, Oregon and California. Here are six great cities—Denver, Seattle, Portland, Oakland, San Francisco, with others like Sacramento, Long Beach, Tacoma, Fresno and Spokane. These, with the scores of others where we are not represented, such as Tucson, Ariz.; Richmond and Vallejo, Calif., spell opportunity. Some of the most fertile valleys in the world here are being peopled and must receive attention.

(2) *The Work.* British Columbia, Washington and Oregon, each have

had field missionaries, and the Rocky Mountain Synod a Missionary Superintendent, who have done much field work. As a result of the visit of the Survey Commission, two additional Field Missionaries were provided, with centers at Los Angeles and San Francisco. Nine new Missions were organized during the Biennium, with centers like Hollywood and Huntington Park, Calif.; Seattle, Wash., and Casper, Wyoming, while eight became self-supporting. There are now forty-five Missions, five of which are vacant. In addition, several men will be needed to release the Field Missionaries for new work.

(3) *The Problem*—The ability to secure sufficient men is perhaps the greatest problem in the occupancy of this great field. Several Missions of strategic importance have been vacant for some time. Our hope eventually must be in the product of the Seminary upon the territory; but for some years, at least, the challenging call must reach more of the men of the East if the United Lutheran Church is to meet her great opportunity and responsibility in this wonderful district.

6. The District Superintendents express great appreciation of the interests of our Theological Seminaries in furnishing student supplies for vacant Mission Churches. There is a threefold beneficent result. The student gets a taste of the practical side of congregational service and a deeper insight into Mission wants; he is supplied with funds that will make him less dependent on outside sources for financial support, and, above all, he ministers the Word to people who otherwise would be deprived of the Means of Grace. This functioning of our Seminaries with our Mission agencies, is becoming one of the marked features in the management of our vacant Mission Churches and in many instances paves the way for a Mission pastorate at the end of the student's theological course. It has brought great relief in this period of ministerial shortage and has proved a valuable asset to our Superintendents and Mission Churches alike.

7. The report of our Women Helpers in Home Missions and Church Extension merits a place here. The following brief summary is furnished by Mrs. Albert Bell, Department Secretary of Home Missions and Church Extension.

This particular branch of Christian service in our Church has been a real and blessed development. Its present large, strong, active and effective organization has a most interesting history. At the first, but a mere organization to allow a slight recognition and have the privilege of gathering such amounts as we might be able to contribute, we made modest contributions to the general cause of Missions.

Stimulated and encouraged by our success, there was born the desire to undertake some definite and specific work, and we were granted certain Missions as our peculiar care. Our success in this has been most interesting, since during the last Biennium as many as forty Missions were aided. Additional ones shall be taken on early in the next Biennium.

STATISTICAL REPORT—WESTERN DISTRICT

SYNODS	Missions July 31, 1920	Appropriations July 31, 1920	Missions July 31, 1922	Appropriations July 31, 1922	Missions Received Since July 31, 1920	Amount of Appropriation for the Same	Number Receiving Increased Appropriation	Amount of Such Increase	Self-Sustaining to July 31, 1922	Amount Released by the Same	Number Reducing Appropriation	Amount of Such Reductions	Missions Increasing Salaries	Amount of Such Increases	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1920	Number of Vacancies July 31, 1922	Number of Parsonages
1 Rocky Mountain	13	$6675	12	$7250	1	$180	2	$1970*	2	$1160	4	$415	6	$1720	5	2	5
2 California	18	10615	17	14015	4	4300	3	1925*	5	1785	10	1040	9	1540	1	1	4
3 Pacific	13	14690	16	14800	4	1350	1	300	1	780	5	760	5	2200	4	2	6
Totals	44	$31980	45	$36065	9	$5830	6	$4195	8	$3725	19	$2215	20	$5460	10	5	15

*Rocky Mountain Increase included appropriation towards Missionary Superintendent.
*California Increase includes appropriation towards two Field Missionaries.

JOHN F. SEIBERT, *Acting Superintendent*

The total amount of our appropriations to Home Missionaries' salaries, Church Extension, Home Mission Box-work, and Settlement work in a Home Mission Parish, is about $68,000. To this sum should be added the contents of the boxes (193), totalling $1,107.80, and the gifts for Inner Mission which amount to $2,381.72. Thirteen Missions assisted by our Society have become self-sustaining, and thirteen additional Missions have been taken on during the Biennium. In addition, several Synodical Societies have been assisting certain Home Missions not listed with those assisted by our Society. Several dedications of new Houses for Worship and special improvements of Church property, together with reduction of indebtedness, are features of the progress of the Biennium. At the same time, our contributions for the General Fund have been maintaining a steady and healthy growth and increase.

A special feature of the Biennium was the conducting of a Survey of the whole field of Home Missions by Synods, through appointed Secretaries. This Survey, which includes circumstances and conditions, such as the nature of the Field, character of the people, with their peculiar needs, has furnished much material for study and reference that should prove a stimulus and challenge to greater zeal and faith for the future. While not every Synod availed itself of this opportunity, the number that did has furnished data for drawing several conclusions that are inspiring and weighty. They emphasize the magnitude and extent of the territory and the task. They present weighty problems exceedingly delicate and intricately involved, the solving of which will call for patience, prayer, faith, and godly consecration, that will task our devoted women to the utmost of their ability and capacity. Yet this should neither discourage nor deter, since our authority and power, and our Master's presence, are our hope and confidence.

8. The Board desires to record its grievous loss in the death of Dr. Yarger who, as District Superintendent, had charge of the Central and Western Districts. From the Minutes of the Board, the following data are worthy of a place in this Report:

The Rev. H. L. Yarger, D.D., was born February 22, 1862, at Harleton, Pennsylvania, and died at his home in Chicago, January 13, 1921. He was graduated from the Institutions at Gettysburg—the College in 1883 and the Seminary in 1886. After serving three Mission Pastorates, he was elected in 1895 Field Secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the General Synod, serving with marked efficiency until the consolidation of the Board with that of Home Missions in 1915, when he became the General Superintendent. With the organization of the Home Missions and Church Extension work, after the Merger of the three General Bodies, he was made Superintendent of the Central and Western Districts.

It is impossible adequately to record the labors of these many years. The noblest efforts and most lasting results of any faithful servant of God cannot be tabulated. Dr. Yarger's carefully kept diary shows that he

travelled in his official capacity over 650,000 miles, visited congregations in every Synod of the former General Synod, in most of those of the former General Council, and in some of those of the United Synod South. He attended the dedication of 211 Churches at which, and at other debt-raising events, he raised over $450,000. His efforts were not unrequited as is evidenced by the fact that in 1913 he was elected President of the General Synod, the highest office in the gift of that body. The Board records its appreciation of a service cheerfully rendered, and of foundations laid that will bulk big in the future of our Zion. He was a man of fine Christian spirit and excellent judgment. His death creates a position difficult to fill. But the work is of God and we trustingly bow to His will, spurred by this providence to greater exertion to extend His Kingdom.

9. The Board has no special recommendations to offer at this time; but it would most earnestly call the attention of the Church to the urgent need of a largely increased appropriation if the work of Home Missions and Church Extension is to measure up, in any appreciable degree, to the opportunities that are presenting themselves for larger service on every side. It takes the privilege of adding to this Report the following action taken at its last regular meeting: RESOLVED, that we petition the United Lutheran Church to reconsider its action directing this Board to relocate its offices in the City of Chicago, Illinois, but that they permit us to remove the Executive Offices to the City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: That a Committee be appointed to formulate the reasons moving the Board to this action, and to prepare a proper Memorial to the next meeting of the United Lutheran Church.

10. The Board desires to place in nomination the following names to fill the vacancies occasioned by the expiration of their terms of office:

To serve for four years:

Rev. C. E. Walter, D.D.; Rev. G. F. Gehr, D.D.; Rev. D. K. Bell, D.D.; Rev. S. T. Nicholis, D.D.; Mr. J. A. Dempwolf; Mr. George E. Neff; Mr. C. J. Driever.

To serve for four years:

Rev. J. M. Bramkamp, D.D.

To serve for two years:

Dr. G. E. Holtzapple.

11. In spite of the fact that the appropriation to our work suffered a cut of more than $100,000, the biennium, just closed, has met with no serious reverses. Though the Board could not make the aggressive Forward Movement which this additional sum would have made possible, nevertheless it is enabled to chronicle some very important advances. These advances are largely due to the fact that surplus funds came from the Merged General Bodies. But these special resources will soon be exhausted and the Board will then be compelled to limit its work to the appropriation which the Church makes for the development of our Home Mission projects. As to

the workings of the Board, its meetings have been well attended and have given evidence of deep interest and capable management. The sessions of the Executive Committee were held regularly, its members being uniformly present and finishing the business each time up to date. The new biennium is bright with hope and boundless in opportunities. Hitherto the Lord hath helped us; and trusting His power and grace, the Board is ready to take up its task anew and carry on the work as the Church assigns it and provides for it. To His Name be the glory now and forever more.

J. E. WHITTEKER, President. H. H. WEBER, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDED JULY 31, 1922

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1921.

	Home Missions and Church Extension	Permanent Loan Fund
United, General and Branch Synods	$6,518.51	$4,190.29
National Lutheran Council	2,770.00	.....
United Church	342,370.58	.....
General Council	.....	8,000.00
Allied Boards	100.00	.....
Women's Missionary Society	22,196.76	.....
Returned Loans Class "A"	.....	28,010.00
Annuity Gifts	.....	1,500.00
Bank Interest	4,396.82	2,006.27
Interest on Investments	26.25	5,412.04
Donations	9,103.11	30,068.83
Sunday Schools	19.41	.....
Ladies' Aid Society	5.00	.....
Proceeds from Sale of Investments	360.00	.....
Proceeds from Sale of Property	.....	1,565.56
Rentals of Land	10.00	.....
Washington Convention Offering	36.70	.....
Returned Loans in Transfer from General Council	.....	2,200.00
Returned Loans Class "B"	.....	479.50
Interest on Class "A" Loans	.....	275.00
	$387,913.14	$83,707.49

Total Receipts		$471,620.63
Composed of: Cash	$466,520.63	
Real Estate	1,000.00	
Securities at par	4,100.00	
		$471,620.63

DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1921.

Donations to Churches	$ 83,145.86	
Loans to Churches Class "A"	125,707.63	
Salaries of Missionaries	196,345.62	
Salaries of Secretary, Treasurer and District Superintendents	19,629.93	
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	3,672.85	
Expenses of Missionaries, General	601.26	
Expenses of Missionaries, Moving	2,753.31	
Expenses of Secretary, Treasurer and District Superintendents	9,291.60	
Expenses of Other Officers and Board Members	3,841.48	
Printing and Stationery	1,696.59	
Office Supplies	287.05	
Office Rental	600.00	
Office Expenses and Repairs	294.35	
Telephone and Telegraph	127.76	
Postage and Expressage	104.21	
Light	42.72	
Legal, Auditing and System	3,172.37	
Advertising	150.00	
Gifts and General Expense	66.30	
Annuities Paid	1,684.50	
Investments Purchased	5,778.09	
Certificates of Deposit Purchased	1,500.00	
Furniture and Fixtures	98.25	
Real Estate Purchased	3,250.00	
Total Disbursements		$463,841.73

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1922.

United, General and Branch Synods		$ 1,930.37
United Church on Apportionment		295,036.00
Allied Boards		1,537.24
Women's Missionary Society		5,457.13
Returned Loans, Class "A"		5,550.00
Bank Interest		2,535.41
Interest on Investments		13,793.63
Donations		45,598.80
Proceeds from Sale of Property		900.00
Rentals of Land, etc.		10.00
Returned Loans in Transfer from General Council		21,065.24
Returned Loans, Class "B"		570.00
Interest on Class "A" Loans, etc.		190.56
Total Receipts		$394,174.38
Composed of: Cash	$389,174.38	
Securities at par	5,000.00	
		$394,174.38

DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st JULY, 1922.

Donations to Churches	$ 70,015.83
Loans to Churches, Class "A"	130,510.33
Salaries of Missionaries	221,620.26

Salaries of Secretary, Treasurer and District Superintendents.	$19,283.16
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	4,252.50
Expenses of Missionaries, General	1,294.52
Expenses of Missionaries, Moving	1,853.52
Expenses of Secretary, Treasurer and District Superintendents	8,639.84
Expenses of Other Officers and Board Members	3,597.76
Printing and Stationery	2,140.41
Office Supplies and Expenses	263.16
Office Rental	1,400.00
Home Missions Council	2,000.00
Telephone and Telegraph	79.27
Postage and Expressage	222.87
Light	35.73
Legal, Auditing and System	1,344.03
Advertising	225.00
General Expense	544.13
Annuities Paid	1,442.00
Furniture and Fixtures	45.00
Real Estate Purchased	200.00
Total Disbursements	$471,009.32

BALANCE SHEET, 31st JULY, 1922.

Assets.

Cash in banks and on hand	$ 99,765.60		
Certificates of Deposit, as annexed	115,500.00		
		$215,265.00	
Notes and Mortgages, Class "A," as annexed	$494,290.20		
Notes and Mortgages, Class "A," transferred from General Council, as annexed	217,291.31		
		711,581.51	
			$ 926,847.11
Securities at par value, as annexed			138,900.00
Real Estate at book values, as annexed		$19,975.00	
Building Lots and Unimproved Property at book values, as annexed		8,185.00	
			28,160.00
			$1,093,907.11
Notes and Mortgages held in trust for the Women's Missionary Society		$121,663.91	
Properties held in trust for various congregations, transferable to the Board in the event of the dissolution of the congregations, as annexed		40,800.00	
		$162,463.91	

Funds.

Home Missions Treasury	$ 48,949.59	
Church Extension Treasury	1,016,817.58	
Annuity Fund	25,450.00	
Permanent Loan Fund	8,607.51	
Endowment Fund	27,294.78	
General Fund (deficit)	33,212.35	
		$1,093,907.11

CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT, 31st JULY, 1922.

Guardian Trust Co., York, Pa.:		
No. 23872 1922, July 11	$50,000.00	
No. 23873 1922, July 11	6,200.00	
		$ 56,200.00
Franklin Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa.:		
No. 290 1922, July 12		19,250.00
York Trust Co., York, Pa.:		
No. 42615 1922, July 11		15,000.00
City Bank of York, Pa.:		
No. 85818 1922, July 26	$ 2,000.00	
No. 85817 1922, July 26	12,000.00	
		14,000.00
First National Bank of Marietta, Pa.:		
No. 23344 1922, July 10		10,000.00
Equitable Trust Co., Baltimore, Md.:		
No. 343 1922, July 11		1,000.00
Drovers & Mechanics National Bank, York, Pa.:		
No. 5758 1922, July 11		50.00
		$115,500.00

CLASS "A" NOTES AND MORTGAGES, 31st JULY, 1922.

Securing Advances to Churches:	
St. Peter's Lutheran, Albany, N. Y.	$2,000.00
Grace, Allegheny, Pa.	200.00
Hyde Park, Allegheny, Pa.	200.00
First, Alpaugh, Cal.	300.00
Trinity, Ann Arbor, Mich.	2,000.00
Lutheran Memorial, Baltimore, Md.	3,000 00
Bethany, Batesville, Ind.	1,500 00
First, Benson, Neb.	1,200.00
St. Michael's, Berkeley, Cal.	2,500 00
First, Billings, Mont.	5,000 00
Christ, Birmingham, Ala.	25,000 00
St. Matthew's, Brantford, Ont., Can.	5,000.00
First English, Bridgeport, Conn.	1,500.00
Zion, Bristol, Pa.	3,000.00
Temple, Brookline, Pa.	3,000 00
Church of the Advent, Brooklyn, N. Y.	750.00
Calvary, Brooklyn, N. Y.	3,000.00
St. Phillip's, Brooklyn, N. Y.	2,500.00
First German-English, Buffalo, N. Y.	500 00
Zion, Buffalo, N. Y.	2,500.00
St. Paul's, Burr Oak, Iowa	1,200 00
Mt. Olivet, Bushman, Pa.	166.77
Evangelical, Butler, Ind.	500 00
Christ, Cambridge, Ohio	1,000 00
Redeemer, Centralia, Ill.	5,000.00
Christ, Charleroi, Pa.	4,000.00
Holy Trinity, Charlotte, N. C.	1,400.00
Church of the Ascension, Chattanooga, Tenn.	2,175.00
Nativity, Chester, Pa.	2,500.00
Belmont Park, Chicago, Ill.	3,500.00

Securing Advances to Churches:

Church of the Advent, Chicago, Ill.	$2,000.00
Immanuel, Chicago, Ill.	150.00
Jerusalem, Chicago, Ill.	500.00
Lutheran Church, Lemoyne and Mason Avenues, Chicago, Ill.	3,000.00
Norwood Park, Chicago, Ill.	2,500.00
Church of the Reformation, Chicago, Ill.	1,500.00
Rogers' Park, Chicago, Ill.	700.00
St. Johannes', Chicago, Ill.	800.00
St. Stephen's, Chicago, Ill.	2,000.00
Tabor, Chicago, Ill.	600.00
Tallman and Peterson Avenues, Chicago, Ill.	3,750.00
Gethsemane, Cicero, Ill.	2,000.00
St. Mark's, Clarksburg, W. Va.	500.00
Church of Our Savior, Coatesville, Pa.	2,000.00
Luther Chapel, Colorado City, Colorado	300.00
First, Colorado Springs, Colorado	2,895.00
Hilltop English, Columbus, Ohio	2,000.00
Immanuel, Columbus, Ohio	4,250.00
Evangelical, Columbus, Texas	100.00
Christ, Continental, Ohio	300.00
St. John's, Council Bluffs, Iowa	2,000.00
First English, Covington, Ky.	5,000.00
St. John's, Davis, W. Va.	601.00
Grace, Dayton, Ohio	1,700.00
North Riverdale, Dayton, Ohio	1,500.00
Westwood, Dayton, Ohio	1,500.00
Messiah, Denver, Colorado	2,000.00
Trinity, Denver, Colorado	690.30
East Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, Mich.	2,000.00
Church of the Reformation, Detroit, Mich.	5,000.00
St. Luke's, Detroit, Mich.	4,667.96
Zion, Dolgeville, N. Y.	200.00
Calvary, Dover, Pa.	1,000.00
St. Mark's, Dubuque, Iowa	2,000.00
St. John's, East McKeesport, Pa.	500.00
Advent, East Orange, N. J.	1,000.00
Edgewood, Edgewood, W. Va.	1,000.00
Holy Trinity, Elkins, W. Va.	500.00
St. Paul's, El Paso, Texas	1,700.00
First, Ericson, Neb.	150.00
Tinicum Memorial, Essington, Pa.	3,000.00
St. Mark's, Evansville, Ind.	880.00
Trinity, Everett, Washington	5,000.00
For property purchase, Flint, Mich.	5,000.00
Christ, Fort Wayne, Ind.	500.00
St. Paul's, Fresno, Cal.	1,500.00
English, Garfield, Pa.	500.00
First, Glendale, Cal.	500.00
St. Andrew's, Glen Morris, N. Y.	2,500.00
St. James', Gloversville, N. Y.	200.00
St. Mark's, Grand Forks, N. Dak.	1,500.00
Trinity, Grand Rapids, Mich.	500.00
First, Greenville, S. C.	1,500.00
Trinity, Hamilton, Ont., Can.	1,000.00

Securing Advances to Churches:

St. Paul's, Harrisburg, Pa.	$3,000.00
Redeemer, Hartford, Wis.	1,500.00
Zion, Havelock, Neb.	600 00
Holy Trinity, Hoboken, N. J.	2,000.00
Messiah, Homestead, Pa.	1,500.00
Grace, Hooper, Neb.	1,000.00
First, Hutchison, Kansas	2,500.00
Gethsemane, Indianapolis, Ind.	3,000.00
English, Iowa Falls, Iowa	1,000.00
Calvary, Jersey City, N. J.	2,500.00
Grace, Jersey Shore, Pa.	500.00
St. John's, Joliet, Ill.	3,000.00
St. John's, Kansas City, Mo.	5,000.00
First, Kent, Ohio	1,000.00
St. John's, Killdeer, N. Dak.	3,000.00
St. Paul's, Knox, Ind.	500 00
First, Knoxville, Iowa	100.00
Grace, Lakeland, Fla.	1,000.00
Trinity, Lakewood, Ohio	10,000.00
Trinity, Lansford, N. Dak.	1,000.00
St. Stephen's, Lenoir, N. C.	800.00
Grace, Lincoln, Neb.	4,000.00
St. John's, Lincoln, Neb.	750.00
St. Mark's, Los Angeles, Cal.	400.00
Redeemer, Macon, Ga.	5,000.00
Luther Memorial, Madison, Wis.	30,000.00
Evangelical, Mahaffey, Pa.	350.00
St. James', Marinette, Wis.	5,000.00
St. Paul's, Marion, Ohio	1,000.00
Synod of N. W., Milwaukee, Wis.	15,000.00
St. Paul's, Minneapolis, Kansas	300.00
St. Paul's, Monessen, Pa.	1,500.00
Evangelical, Monroeville, Ind.	500.00
Grace, Muscatine, Iowa	1,000.00
Holy Trinity, Narberth, Pa.	2,500.00
St. James', Newark, N. J.	400.00
Holy Trinity, Newark, Ohio	1,500.00
First English, New Haven, Conn.	2,000.00
Holy Trinity, New London, Wis.	2,500.00
St. Thomas', New York, N. Y.	875.00
Trinity, Niles, Ohio	5,000.00
St. Johannes', Norfolk, Neb.	1,500 00
Trinity, Oakland, Neb.	625.00
Oak Park, Oak Park, Ill.	3,000.00
Grace, Omaha, Neb.	3,000.00
Church of the Redeemer, Omaha, Neb.	1,500.00
St. Matthew's, Oswego, N. Y.	2,350.00
St. Paul's, Ottawa, Kans.	300.00
St. Mark's, Ottumwa, Iowa	3,000.00
St. Luke's, Park Ridge, Ill.	1,500 00
First, Paterson, N. J.	2,500 00
Grace, Peoria, Ill.	3,000.00
Gift of Thomas Irwin Brown, Philadelphia, Pa.	10,000.00
Calvary, Philadelphia, Pa.	625.00
Christ, Philadelphia, Pa.	$2,500.00

Securing Advances to Churches:

Immanuel, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,800.00
Luther Memorial, Philadelphia, Pa.	5,500.00
Memorial, Philadelphia, Pa.	500.00
St. Andrew's, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,000.00
Brushton Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.	200.00
Holy Trinity, Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,000.00
St. James', Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,000.00
St. Paul's, Pittsburgh, Pa.	700.00
Church of the Redeemer, Portland, Ore.	1,200.00
Zion, Princeton, Iowa	300.00
St. Mark's, Pueblo, Colorado	1,500.00
St. Peter's Lutheran, Reading, Pa.	1,000.00
Christ, Ridgefield Park, N. J.	2,000.00
Church of Our Savior, Riverdale, Ill.	1,000.00
Emmanuel, Roanoke, Va.	1,800.00
Christ, Rosedale, N. Y.	1,500.00
First, Sacramento, Cal.	2,000.00
Reen Memorial, St. Louis, Mo.	3,500.00
St. Mark's, St. Louis, Mo.	961.17
Trinity, St. Petersburg, Fla.	15,000.00
First, San Bernardino, Cal.	500.00
Grace, San Jose, Cal.	2,000.00
St. Paul's, Sanger, Cal.	250.00
First, Schenectady, N. Y.	1,000.00
Grace, Scranton, Pa.	1,900.00
Messiah, Sea Isle City, N. J.	500.00
St. Paul's, Seattle, Wash.	1,000.00
University, Seattle, Wash.	5,000.00
Trinity, Sebring, Ohio	1,000.00
Trinity, Sedalia, Mo.	1,800.00
First English, South Omaha, Neb.	500.00
First English Evangelical, South Omaha, Neb.	500.00
Church of the Good Shepherd, South Ozone Park, L. I.	1,500.00
St. John's, Sparrows Point, Md.	3,000.00
Calvary, Spencer, N. C.	700.00
St. Paul's, Spokane, Wash.	3,000.00
St. James', Spring Brook, N. Dak.	650.00
Fifth, Springfield, Ohio	2,000.00
Grace, State College, Pa.	1,000.00
Christ, Stony Creek Mills, Pa.	500.00
Church of Our Savior, Stone Harbor, N. J.	1,000.00
St. John's, Swissvale, Pa.	2,000.00
Grace, Thomasville, N. C.	5,000.00
Augsburg, Toledo, Ohio	*5,000.00
Glenwood Avenue Lutheran, Toledo, Ohio	3,500.00
Home Acres, Toledo, Ohio	1,000.00
First, Tulsa, Oklahoma	1,500.00
Alpha, Turtle Creek, Pa.	500.00
St. Paul's, Valley Falls, Kans.	1,200.00
First, Valley Junction, Iowa	800.00
St. Matthew's, Wanwatosa, Wisconsin	15,000.00
Trinity, Williston, N. Dak.	$5,000.00
St. Luke's, Waterloo, Iowa	1,500.00

* $5,000 Augsburg English Evangelical Lutheran Church 6 Per Cent First Mtge. Ref. Bonds, due 1927, held as collateral to secure loan.

Securing Advances to Churches:	
Webster Groves, Webster Groves, Mo.	5,000.00
Messiah, Wesleyville, Pa.	3,000.00
First German-English, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	300.00
St. Paul's, Warren, Ohio	5,000.00
English, Wilmette, Ill.	5,000.00
Holy Trinity, Wilmington, Del.	2,500.00
English, Winnipeg, Canada	12,450.00
Atonement, Wyomissing, Pa.	5,000.00
First, York, Neb.	800.00
St. Peter's Lutheran, York, Pa.	278.00
	$494,290.20

CLASS "A" NOTES AND MORTGAGES TRANSFERRED FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL AND HELD JULY 31st, 1922.

Trinity, Appleton, Wisconsin	$2,500.00
First, Ashtabula, Ohio	1,000.00
Redeemer, Attleboro, Pa.	1,000.00
Redeemer, Aurora, Ill.	2,500.00
Redeemer, Austin, Ill.	2,200.00
St. Andrew's, Brooklyn, N. Y.	8,000.00
Covenant, Brooklyn, N. Y.	4,975.00
Atonement, Beloit, Wisconsin	8,000.00
Marquette Manor, Chicago, Ill.	2,237.50
St. Luke's, Chicago, Ill.	2,500.00
St. James', Chicago, Ill.	2,500 00
Epiphany, Chicago, Ill.	5,000.00
Emmaus, Cleveland, Ohio	1,150.00
St. Luke's, Detroit, Michigan	700.00
St. Paul's, Detroit, Michigan	5,000.00
St. John's, Duluth, Minnesota	2,221.03
Holy Trinity, East Orange, N. J.	3,000.00
Holy Trinity, Elmira, N. Y.	800.00
St. Mark's, Fremont, Ohio	3,000.00
St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.	200 00
St. Paul's, Galt, Ontario, Canada	1,000 00
St. Paul's, Guelph, Ontario, Canada	2,000.00
Trinity, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada	4,980.00
St. Paul's, Haddon Heights, N. J.	2,000.00
Resurrection, Halifax, N. S.	5,000.00
St. Paul's, Hartford, Conn.	2,500.00
First English, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada	7,115.00
Holy Trinity, Lafayette, Indiana	5,000.00
Redeemer, Livingston, Montana	5,000.00
Holy Trinity, Madison, Wisconsin	5,000.00
Holy Trinity, Magnolia, N. J.	800.00
Incarnation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1,700.00
St. James', Minneapolis, Minn.	2,000.00
Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn.	2,000.00
Redeemer, Montreal, Canada	4,000.00
St. Paul's, Neenah, Wisconsin	4,200.00
Grace, Newark, N. J.	$6,000.00
Reformation, New Britain, Connecticut	4,900.00

St. John's, Oshkosh, Wisconsin	3,000.00
St. Peter's, Ottawa, Canada	4,000.00
Prince of Peace, Philadelphia, Pa.	3,000.00
Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia, Pa.	7,500.00
Grace, Roxborough, Philadelphia, Pa.	3,300.00
Our Saviour, Philadelphia, Pa.	4,000.00
St. Stephen's, Philadelphia, Pa.	5,000.00
Resurrection, Philadelphia, Pa.	343.00
St. John's, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	4,000.00
Holy Communion, Racine, Wisconsin	1,000.00
Holy Trinity, Salem, Ohio	2,500.00
St. Paul's, Scranton, Pa.	800.00
Pacific Synod Theological Seminary, Seattle, Washington	5,000.00
Holy Trinity, Superior, Wisconsin	2,000.00
Holy Trinity, Seattle, Washington	3,500.00
Zion, Tacoma, Washington	3,500.00
Redeemer, Vancouver, B. C.	5,000.00
Grace, Victoria, B. C.	3,000.00
Good Shepherd, Weehawken, N. J.	3,875.00
St. Luke's, West Collingswood, N. J.	3,000.00
Faith, Winona, Minnesota	500.00
English, Winnipeg, Canada	3,000.00
Trinity, North Yakima, Washington	3,500.00
	$197,996.53

From English Home Missions Board of the General Council

Redeemer, Aurora, Ill.	$1,000.00	
St. John's, Duluth, Minnesota	2,256.40	
———, Dunton, N. Y.	1,000.00	
Incarnation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	1,500.00	
Resurrection, Milwaukee, Wisconsin	700.00	
St. Simeon's, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,000.00	
English Lutheran, Winnipeg, Canada	8,357.38	
English Lutheran, Winnipeg, Canada	2,481.00	
		19,294.78
		$217,291.31

SECURITIES OWNED, 31st July, 1922.

Obligations of the United States:

	Par Value	
Liberty Loan Bonds:		
First Conv. 4¼ pct.	$1,250.00	
Second Conv. 4¼ pct.	2,650.00	
Third 4¼ pct.	300.00	
Fourth 4¼ pct.	122,600 00	
Victory 4¾ pct.	3,050.00	
	$129,850.00	
War Savings Stamps	50.00	
		$129,900.00

Other Securities:		
10 Shares Common Stock of the Ferncliff Realty Co., New York, par $50	$500.00	
1,000 Howard Gas Coal Co. 6 pct. First Mtge. S. F. Bonds, due 1937	1,000.00	
1,500 Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co. 4 pct. First Mtge. Bonds, due 1948	1,500.00	
1,000 Consumers Power Co. 5 pct. First Lien and Refunding Bond, due 1936	1,000.00	
1,000 Charles M. Stough 5½ pct. (8-27-20) Mortgage Bond	1,000.00	
4,000 Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. 4½ pct. General Consolidated Mtge. Bonds, due 2003	4,000.00	
		$9,000.00
		$138,900.00

REAL ESTATE, 31st July, 1922.

Lot and Building, Harmony Grove, Pa.		$500.00
Lot and Building, Aspen, Colorado		750.00
Lot and Building, Scotland, Pa.		1,000.00
Portable Chapel No. 2, Philadelphia, Pa.		350.00
Portable Chapel No. 3, Philadelphia, Pa.		375.00
Portable Chapel, Pittsburgh, Pa.		300.00
Portable Chapel, Chicago, Ill.		300.00
Portable Chapel, East Ohio Synod		350 00
Lot and Building, Goldsboro, Pa.		400.00
Portable Chapel, Baltimore, Md.		400.00
Property, Lewisburg, Pa.		4,200.00
Property, Grand Junction, Colorado		1,800 00
Portable Chapel, Wartburg Synod		500 00
Property, David City, Nebraska		400.00
Property and Lot, York Haven, Pa.		300.00
Property, Colorado City, Colorado		100 00
Property, Lennox, South Dakota		500.00
Portable Chapel, Brooklyn, N. Y.		1,000 00
Portable Chapel, Brooklyn, N. Y.		1,000 00
Portable Chapel, Brooklyn, N. Y.		1,000.00
Dwelling House and Lots, Washington, Kansas		1,000.00
Church Property, Houston, Texas	$4,250 00	
Less, Unpaid	800.00	
		3,450.00
		$19,975.00

BUILDING LOTS AND UNIMPROVED PROPERTIES.
31st July, 1922.

Located at:	
Hugo, Colorado	$100.00
New Castle, Colorado	100 00
Sterling, Colorado	100.00
Denver Junction, Colorado	100.00
Yuma, Colorado	100.00
Glenwood Springs, Colorado	100.00
Philipsburg, Kansas	100.00

Located at:

Wallace, Kansas	$100.00
Ness City, Kansas	100.00
Ellsworth, Kansas	1,000.00
Central City, Kansas	100.00
Hutchinson, Kansas	400.00
Topeka, Kansas	500.00
Newton, Kansas	450.00
Greensburg, Kansas	100.00
Republic City, Kansas	100.00
Wakeeney, Kansas	100.00
Valley Falls, Kansas	165.00
New Caldwell, Kansas	100.00
La Crosse, Kansas	100.00
Wichita, Kansas	100.00
Chadron, Nebraska	100.00
Kimball, Nebraska	100.00
Hemingsford, Nebraska	100.00
Cambridge, Nebraska	100.00
Forest City, Nebraska	100.00
Valentine, Nebraska	100.00
Alma, Nebraska	100.00
Minden, Nebraska	100.00
Ord, Nebraska	100.00
Benedict, Nebraska	100.00
Springview, Nebraska	100.00
Taylor, Nebraska	100.00
Republican City, Nebraska	100.00
Sidney, Nebraska	100.00
Lodge Pole, Nebraska	100.00
Norfolk, Nebraska	200.00
Davenport, Iowa	1,000.00
Sturgis, South Dakota	175.00
Pierre, South Dakota	175.00
Brighton, Maryland	175.00
Santa Fe, New Mexico	175.00
LeRoy, Florida	100.00
Colorado Spring, Colorado	200.00
Cly, Pennsylvania	170.00
Gothenburg, Nebraska	100.00
Bloomington, Nebraska	100.00
	$8,185.00

PROPERTIES HELD IN TRUST, 31st July, 1922.

St. Luke's Lutheran Church, York, Pa.	$25,000.00
Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, Pa.	300.00
Woodlawn Lutheran Church, Chicago, Ill.	15,000.00
Interest on Parsonage, Greenleaf, Kansas	500.00
	$40,800.00

Respectfully submitted,
H. H. WEBER,
Treasurer.

Philadelphia, Pa., 12th September, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing

Receipts and Disbursements for the Year ended 31st July, 1921,
Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 31st July, 1922,
Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922,
Certificates of Deposit, 31st July, 1922,
Class "A" Notes and Mortgages, 31st July, 1922,
Class "A" Notes and Mortgages transferred from the General Council and held 31st July, 1922,
Securities Owned, 31st July, 1922,
Real Estate, 31st July, 1922,
Building Lots and Unimproved Properties, 31st July, 1922,
Properties held in Trust, 31st July, 1922,

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

Tellers' Committee No. 3 reported and elections were declared as follows:

Commission of Adjudication

For term expiring 1928.

Rev. L. A. Fox. Judge A. E. Reiber.
Rev. J. A. W. Haas.

For term expiring 1924.

Rev. R. E. Tulloss.

Church Paper Committee

For term expiring 1928.

Rev. J. A. Morehead. L. Russell Alden, Esq.
Rev. J. E. Whitteker.

Board of Foreign Missions

For term expiring 1928.

Rev. P. W. Koller. Rev. A. Steimle.
Rev. J. S. Simon. H. P. Boyer, M. D.
Rev. L. C. Manges. Mr. Mathias P. Moller.

For term expiring 1924.

Prof. C. W. Foss.

The Chair announced that there was one layman yet to be elected for the term expiring 1928.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by the Rev. D. E. Rupley.

Evening Service

At eight o'clock on Friday evening there was held in Holy Trinity Church a service, "With Our Missionaries on Furlough." The service was under the direction of the Board of Foreign Missions and was in charge of the Rev. E. K. Bell, President of the Board. The Rev. G. A. Benze conducted the Opening Service.

The Rev. L. B. Wolf presented the missionaries from India who in turn addressed the meeting.

Miss E. L. Weiskotten, Miss C. B. Hollerbach, Rev. S. C. Burger, Rev. G. A. Rupley, Rev. F. L. Coleman, Rev. H. E. Dickey.

The Rev. George Drach presented the missionaries from Africa and Japan each of whom had a brief message for those assembled.

From Africa: Rev. F. M. Traub, Rev. and Mrs. Jens Larsen.

From Japan: Rev. R. B. Peery (former missionary), Rev. and Mrs. C. K. Lippard, Rev. and Mrs. L. S. G. Miller, Mr. N. Asaji, Rev. I. Miura, the last two being students in America.

The Rev. Mr. Drach responded to the missionaries on behalf of the Board and the United Lutheran Church. The service was closed with prayer by the Rev. E. K. Bell.

FOURTH MEETING

Morning Session

Saturday, October 21st, 8:45.

The Rev. J. C. Seegers conducted the morning devotions.

Acting President Burgess called the Convention to order.

The Minutes for the Thursday afternoon and Friday morning Sessions were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. C. W. Howe, the President of the Board of Foreign Missions was authorized to return the greetings of this Convention to the India Council.

The Rev. W. L. Stough, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported nominations for the following Boards:

Inner Mission Board
Board of Ministerial Relief
Board of Deaconess Work
National Lutheran Home for the Aged

The nominations for the several Boards were approved and the report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of Mr. E. F. Eilert, the Secretary was instructed to place upon the ballots to be printed in the future an asterisk in front of the names of those renominated by the several Boards.

Consideration of the Report of the Home Mission Board was resumed. The Rev. J. F. Seibert, Secretary of the Central District and Acting Secretary of the Western District, was introduced by the President of the Board and addressed the Convention, paying special tribute to the memory of Dr. H. L. Yarger and Dr. Conrad Huber.

The President of the Board then introduced George E. Neff, Esq., who explained in detail the financial situation of the Board of Home Missions.

Dr. A. Stewart Hartman, Educational Secretary of the Board, was introduced and addressed the Convention reviewing the home missionary operations of the Church for a period of more than a generation.

Under the consideration of the report the Rev. G. F. Gehr moved:

"That we rescind the action taken at Washington locating the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension at Chicago."

The Chair ruled that an affirmative vote on the motion to rescind would mean simply Chicago or not Chicago, and would leave the Board at York, Pa., and that if it should be the desire of the Convention to transfer the Board to Philadelphia, a motion to that effect would afterward be necessary. After discussion of the matter at length the motion was put and lost. The President announced that the action at Washington stands and that the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension will go to Chicago.

The Report of the Board was adopted as a whole.

The President announced the elections for the day as provided for in the program and special elections for one clerical member of the Executive Board and one lay member of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The special order was taken up which was consideration of the

report of the Committee on Women's Work and receiving of the visitor from the Women's Missionary Society.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMEN'S WORK

The Committee on Women's Work would respectfully report that, during the past Biennium, the only organization which has come within the sphere of this committee's activity has been the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church in America. As the co-ordinating agency of the Church, your committee finds great pleasure in reporting to this Convention that, as from the beginning, so in the past two years a very cordial and harmonious spirit of co-operation has been maintained between the Church and this its most influential auxiliary organization.

Working along the lines of its own constitution and in keeping with the high purpose therein enunciated, the W. M. S. has not only demonstrated the efficiency of its internal organization, but by the generous financial help which it has given to our Boards as well as by the consistent educational policy which it has pursued, it has proven itself a mighty factor in developing the missionary zeal and the missionary interest of the entire Church. In the Synod, in the Conference, in the congregation, wherever it has found entrance, the influence of the W. M. S. has quickened the spiritual life of the people, widened their vision, and brought about a keener conception of Christ's Work and of the Church's responsibility for the World's salvation.

While your committee does not feel called upon to report in detail the work and activities of the W. M. S., it nevertheless permits itself the gratification of calling the attention of the Convention to the wonderful growth of the organization during the past Biennium, which today numbers 2,088 societies embracing a membership of over 64,000 souls. Two hundred new societies have been added to its roll during the Biennium; and observation proves that every local society constitutes a vital factor in the development of congregational life and exercises a power for good which makes itself felt in every phase of congregational activity.

Perhaps the most significant service which the organization renders the U. L. C. is accomplished through the Society's work among the children of the Church. More than 900 children's organizations (Light Brigade Societies) have been established. Still greater efforts are in contemplation. Co-ordinating its efforts with those of the Parish and Church School Board and the Luther League, the Society stands ready to make itself responsible for the care of children's organizations in congregations outside of regular Sunday Schools or Bible Schools throughout the entire Church. The success which has thus far attended the movement augurs well for the proper development of the future membership of our congregations. The tremendous opportunity and the vast responsibility of this work magnifies to a still larger degree the importance of the position which the W. M. S. occupies in the United Lutheran Church.

Special attention is directed to the scope and character of the literature published by the Society. In line with its policy of education large appropriations are made annually for this purpose, and the best talent of the Church is consistently employed in its production, with the result that the literature issued is not only of a high order, but compares favorably with that of any other denomination in the country. The regular use of these publications can not but help very materially to develop true church membership and further the manifold aims of the Society and the work it seeks to accomplish.

The far-reaching character and the broad scope of the Society's operations become apparent when we notice that, in accordance with its announced policy, the organization aims to support, as far as possible, every woman worker in the employ of the Boards of the Church, in addition to the aid which it gives to many other features of their work. This same generous help is also extended to special objects whose appeals come to the Society from time to time.

To cover all these operations a budget of more than $644,000 is projected by the organization, which in itself is an enlightening commentary on the activities of the Society. A study of this budget, a copy of which is appended, is recommended for a clearer appreciation of the Women's Work. A special work worth mentioning was the effort on the part of the W. M. S. to increase the number of subscribers to *The Lutheran*. As a result of this attempt, 9,450 new names were added to the subscription list, besides over 3,000 renewals. No one can estimate the benefits which accrue to the whole Church through such helpful co-operation with its Boards.

Your committee feels that this report would not be complete without calling attention to the spirit of earnestness, loyalty, and zeal which pervades the entire organization of the W. M. S. This spirit is fostered by the influence and example of the members of the Executive Board of the Society, whose devotion and untiring energy is reflected in every department of the organization. This same spirit manifests itself in the congregational society, and constitutes the secret of that large measure of success which has attended the labors of the Society.

The committee commends the organization for its splendid work as an auxiliary of the Church; and prays that the blessings of the Great Head of the Church may continue to prosper its consecrated endeavor.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,

F. A. Kaehler,
J. B. Markward,
W. H. Shepfer,
M. J. Bieber,
D. A. Davy,
S. G. McDowell,
W. D. C. Keiter, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

To the United Lutheran Church in America. Greetings:

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." With grateful acknowledgment of Divine guidance and favor throughout the past biennium, the Executive Board of the Women's Missionary Society submits this report of the Society's activities during that period.

Organization.

September 17, 1920, the members-elect met in Chicago, Ill., at the close of the biennial convention, for organization. The five general officers and fifteen members-at-large constituted the Executive Board, namely: Mrs. J. G. Traver, president; Mrs. S. R. Kepner, vice-president; Mrs. W. F. Morehead, recording secretary; Mrs. F. E. Jensen, statistical secretary, and Mrs. W. C. Weier, treasurer, with Mrs. H. C. Bell, Mrs. J. G. Bringman, Mrs. J. C. Casselman, Mrs. J. M. Cook, Mrs. F. F. Fry, Mrs. J. A. Hemsing, Miss Zoe I. Hirt, Mrs. H. D. Hoover, Mrs. J. B. Markward, Mrs. H. C. Michael, Miss Flora Prince, Mrs. J. W. Richards, Mrs. P. M. Rossman, Mrs. H. C. Ter Vehn and Mrs. C. F. Stifel, members-at-large. Mrs. J. G. Traver was elected president; Mrs. C. F. Stifel, vice-president; Mrs. H. C. Michael, recording secretary; Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, executive secretary.

Administrative Committee.—At its first meeting, the Administrative Committee: Mrs. J. G. Traver, Miss Zoe I. Hirt, Mrs. F. E. Jensen, Mrs. H. C. Michael, Miss Flora Prince, Mrs. C. F. Stifel and Mrs. W. C. Meier, elected officers as follows: Mrs. C. F. Stifel, chairman; Mrs. F. E. Jensen, vice-chairman, and Mrs. H. C. Michael, recording secretary.

Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees elected the following officers: Mrs. F. F. Fry, president; Mrs. J. G. Bringman, vice-president; Mrs. F. E. Jensen, recording secretary; Miss Flora Prince, treasurer.

Meetings.

The Executive Board held eight quarterly meetings. Regular representatives to those meetings were: a member of the Literature Committee, the Editor of *Lutheran Woman's Work,* and the Chairman of the Committee on Women's Work of the United Lutheran Church, also foreign missionaries on furlough, home missionaries, and department secretaries, as occasional visitors. The Administrative Committee held ad interim meetings between meetings of the Executive Board, to transact urgent business.

The Board of Trustees held its meetings at the same time as the Executive Board.

All these meetings have been held at executive headquarters, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Appointments by Executive Board.

Advisory members were appointed to attend the meetings of the following Boards of the Church: Deaconess, Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Church Extension, Inner Missions, Ministerial Relief, West Indies and the Board of Education. The more intimate knowledge of the work of these Boards thus gained, strengthened interest and co-operation.

Department Secretaries were appointed to stimulate interest and establish system in the various departments of work, and the service thus rendered resulted in advance, throughout synodical and conference organizations.

Interdenominational Affiliation.

As in former years, great benefit resulted from interdenominational affiliation with leaders in mission study and promotion of best methods in mission enterprise.

Fulfillment of Policy.

The fulfillment of the Society's policy has been given prominence throughout the biennium, continuous effort having been exerted "to stimulate and promote interest in mission work, by disseminating missionary information, by promoting missionary education and by aiding financially the missionary activities of the Church through its regularly established boards."

Also diligence has been exercised in the endeavor "to co-ordinate the work of the Society with that of the Church, and, likewise, to co-ordinate and unite the work of the Synodical Societies composing the Women's Missionary Society." The further aim "to maintain and extend organization, until in every congregation of the United Lutheran Church there shall be a Women's Missionary Society" has called forth studied endeavor to extend organization in conference and synodical districts.

Co-operation.

The happy fraternal relations with the General Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church, established during the preceding biennium, have been strengthened and co-operation with the Boards of the Church with which the Society affiliates has continued with undiminished loyalty. Also the activities of the Conference and Synodical Societies were characterized by a manifest spirit of loyalty to the established work of the Society.

Administration.

The Society's activities and its every interest, as directed by the Executive Board, received earnest consideration. At all times harmony prevailed, with just such differences of opinion as tended to insure caution in legislation.

At times, perplexing problems presented; a chief perplexity being the lack of funds to meet the needs of the mission fields, home and foreign. We ask for the approval of the included budget estimate for the next biennium, hoping that, with the funds thus specified provided, the needs of the work the Society has undertaken may be more adequately met.

Funds of the Society.

The receipts for the biennium totalled $648,202.74. The sources of this income were the regular monthly membership contributions, constituting the general fund, and voluntary contributions from members and friends of the Society. Chief among the latter offerings have been the annual Thank-offering, the Christmas offering, the Lenten offering, Life Membership and In Memoriam fees, bequests and annuities; also the support of missionaries, of Bible women and scholarships has been an appreciable addition to the Society's funds.

Support of Foreign Missionaries.

By Synodical Societies, etc.

Miss Anna S. Kugler, M.D., Sc.D. ..... East Pennsylvania
Miss Agnes I. Schade ..... Pittsburgh
Miss Jessie Brewer ..... West Pennsylvania
Miss Mary Baer, M.A., M.D. ..... Maryland
Miss Emilie Weiskotten ..... Ministerium of Pennsylvania
Miss Betty A. Nilsson, M.D. ..... Augustana Synod
Miss Florence M. Welty, B.A. ..... Indiana
Miss Lilith Schwab ..... Kansas
Sister Laura Gilliland ..... Pittsburgh
Sister Jennie Larmouth ..... Ohio
Sister Ruth Robeson ..... Alleghany
Miss Marie C. Martens, R.N. ..... Illinois
Miss Elsie R. Otto ..... West Virginia
Miss Reba M. Hendrickson ..... Missionary Union, Washington, D. C.
Miss E. Pauline Whitteker, R.N. ..... Friends, Lancaster Conference Society
Ministerium of Pennsylvania

By Congregations.

Miss Mary S. Borthwick ..... "Holy Communion," Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. J. Henry Harms, D.D., Pastor
Miss Agatha Tatge ..... "Advent," New York City,
Rev. N. Steimle, D.D., Pastor
Miss Bertha Koenig ..... "Messiah," S. Williamsport, Pa.,
Rev. R. G. Bannen, D.D., Pastor
Miss Eleanor A. Lange ..... "Emmanuel," Souderton, Pa.,
Rev. Warren Nickel, Pastor
Miss Metta K. Blair ..... "Kountze Memorial," Omaha, Neb.,
Rev. O. D. Baltzly, D.D., Pastor
Miss Alice J. Nickel ..... "Church of the Good Shepherd," Brooklyn, N. Y.
Rev. C. D. Trexler, D.D., Pastor.

By Young Women's Department.

Miss Louise A. Miller ..... India
Miss Mary Lou Bowers ..... Japan
Miss Mabel A. Dysinger ..... Africa

By Junior Department.

Miss Christina Eriksson ..... India
Miss Annie E. Powlas ..... Japan

Support of Home Missions.

The entire or partial support of the following Home Missions has been contributed:

Clarksburg, W. Va.....Maryland Synodical Society
Kalamazoo, Mich.....Michigan Synodical Society
Champaign, Ill. (now self-supporting).....Illinois Synodical Society
Belmont Park, Ill.....Illinois Synodical Society
Columbus, Ohio (Indianola Ave. Mission).....Ohio Synodical Society
Wyomissing, Pa., (now self-supporting), Ministerium of Pennsylvania Society
New Kingston, Pa.....Ministerium of Pennsylvania Society
Lynchburg, Va.....Virginia Synodical Society
Butler, Pa. ("Trinity").....Pittsburgh Synodical Society
Waukesha, Wis...Wisconsin Conference Society, Synod of the Northwest
New Salem, N. Dakota.....Alleghany Synodical Society
Wautauga, N. C.....Junior Department
Spring Garden Valley, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Settlement Work),
Pittsburgh Synodical Society

Patrons and Proteges.

Assuming the support of Bible women in the foreign fields has become more generally and favorably understood, as affording special objects for such organizations and individuals as desire to have a feature of the work of the Society distinctively their own, likewise, the support of girl-students in the schools conducted by our women missionaries has been assumed, such contributions increasing the appropriations for the schools and making the Christian education of more of India's girls and young women possible. Then, too, as many such patrons testify, supporting a Bible woman or a girl-student becomes a personal link with the worker or the student in a foreign field.

At present the list of our proteges includes 131 Bible women in India, two in Japan and nineteen patrons have assumed the support of the entire staff of women native workers in Africa. Also 123 scholarships in India have been assumed and thirty-eight in Africa. Several scholarships for Vellore Medical College have been assumed, the $100 thus contributed making possible the medical education of one young Indian woman for one year. Special cases of support of mission workers are Miss Minnie Moses, Stall School, Guntur, whose support is contributed by the Luther League of Southwest Virginia Synod, and Miss M. Paru, M.P., Dr. Kugler's Indian assistant, who is supported by a group of six devoted workers.

Patron and protege work in the West Indies is under consideration, whilst the kindergarten work in Japan is our best established school work.

Home Missions.

Forty Home Missions were receiving appropriations towards their support, at the opening of the biennium. The number attaining self-support, during the biennium was thirteen, whilst thirteen have been added to the list.

Self-Supporting.

First, Oakland, Cal.....Rev. G. H. Hillermann, D.D.
"Grace," San Jose, Calif.....Rev. W. E. Crouser, D.D.
"Grace," Scranton, Pa.....Rev. F. V. Christ
"Christ," Alameda, Calif.....Rev. O. H. Gruver, D.D.
"Trinity," Long Beach, Calif.....Rev. D. J. Snyder
"Advent," Brooklyn, N. Y.....Rev. A. F. Waltz
"Grace," Champaign, Ill.....Rev. F. B. Heibert, D.D.
"Mt. Zion," Chicago, Ill.....Rev. D. L. McConnell
"St. John's," Council Bluffs, Iowa.....Rev. C. G. Ringer
"Emmanuel," High Point, N. C.....Rev. P. D. Brown
"Virginia Heights," Roanoke, Va.....Rev. O. F. Blackwelder
"Atonement," Wyomissing, Pa.....Rev. J. L. Deaton
"Rosemont," Bethlehem, Pa.....Rev. H. J. Croushore

Loans for church erection and the payment of interest on such loans secured otherwise have been a feature of church extension work for the biennium. The dedication of four churches marked the improvement of church property, and the biennium closes with several requests for loans and payment of interest for church erection.

Several missions have so advanced as to give promise of soon becoming self-supporting, but certain others continue in a doubtful state of existence. There have been but few changes of pastors, which loyal service is appreciated. As yet, we cannot report a *Women's Missionary Society* in *every* home mission receiving aid from the Society.

The monthly appropriations to home missions have been $1,960, with church extension appropriations special.

Missions have been assisted in seventeen states and Canada, namely: California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Central Canada.

Immigrant Mission.

Immigrants' Mission work has been the contribution of funds for the support of Italian, Slavic, etc., students, for the ministry to their own people.

Inner Mission.

Settlement work in Pittsburgh is one of the specials of the Pittsburgh Synodical Society, and a blessed work is being done for the families of the Spring Garden Valley.

Jewish Mission.

The support of a woman assistant in Messiah Hebrew Lutheran Mission, Philadelphia, has been the extent of our Society's work.

Education.

The Society has continued its appropriation to this Board, in recognition of the services of its Women Secretaries in presenting mission service to the young women attending colleges and universities.

West Indies.

The support of a woman missionary in Porto Rico and of two Homes for Children in the Virgin Islands has been assumed, Miss Sofia Probst being the worker in Porto Rico.

Foreign Missions.

Of the work of our foreign missionaries and, indeed, of all our missionaries, what tongue can tell or what pen write worthily thereof?

India.

India has been a field of "labors abundant" in the *Medical Department,* in the educational department and in zenana work. The three hospitals for women and children, located at Guntur, Chirala and Rajahmundry, with their adjacent dispensaries have ministered to thousands and been a blessing to their respective communities.

Dr. Anna S. Kugler, ably assisted by Dr. Eleanor B. Wolf and Dr. Paru, with Miss Katherine Fahs, R.N., and her staff of assistants at the Guntur Hospital; Dr. Betty A. Nilsson and later Dr. Elizabeth Reese-Wilkins, with Miss Hilma Levine, R.N., and Miss C. Eriksson, R.N., at the Rajahmundry Hospital; Dr. Mary Baer, with the assistance of native women at the Chirala Hospital are in charge of the medical department.

The Educational Department has prospered during the biennium, boarding schools for girls at Guntur and Rajahmundry, superintended, respectively, by Miss Nelson and Miss Welty (Guntur) and Miss Schade and Miss Christenson (Rajahmundry), prepared young women for teaching, the former sending pupils to Madras College and Vellore Medical College. The seven district schools for girls, under the supervision of Misses Thomas, Borthwick, Sanford, Weiskotten, Lange, Emma Baer and Mrs. Neudoerfer have done good work, as usual. The special schools for Bible training by Miss Brewer and Mrs. Neudoerfer, the lace department under the supervision of Miss Hollerbach, the nurses' training conducted by Misses Fahs, Eriksson and Steigerwalt, are important institutions.

Zenana Work.—Miss Schuff, Miller and others named above superintend the zenana work, instructing the nearly two hundred women who visit in the homes. The women's societies, organized for the purpose of training the women in church and community work, are proving especially helpful.

Madras and Vellore Colleges.—The first young women of the mission to complete the B.A. course at Madras Christian College for Women and the medical course at Vellore Medical College are now employed respectively as a teacher, and as a sub-surgeon in one of our hospitals. Still other young women are enrolled in these two institutions and in the training schools for the "Licentiate Teacher's" degree.

Equipment.—Special needs have been supplied by affording special equipment: Three automobiles, two houseboats, a typewriter, victrolas and pic-

tures. Such gifts and conveniences lighten labor and cause the missionaries to rejoice.

Africa.

Muhlenberg Mission has experienced joys and sorrows during the biennium. Building operations have progressed to the completion of the Phoebe Hospital, and the new building for the E. V. Day Memorial School for Girls is nearing completion.

Our missionaries have served at several stations during the biennium, enjoying the results of their labors. Greater responsibilities have been committed to the native workers, and thus the assistants are becoming more capable.

Japan.

Kindergarten work and special work among women and girls engages our missionaries in Japan. The completion of the Women "Missionaries' Home" has afforded a special opportunity for work at Kumamoto. Miss Potts and Miss Hendrickson, sent out during this biennium, are busily engaged in the study of the language, preparatory to the opening of the girls' school, for which a building is greatly needed. Two pianos for the kindergartens and a small picture machine were among the special gifts to this field.

South America.

The Society's contribution to the work at Buenos Aires, South America, has been to the support of the schools for girls and the salary of a helper in work among women.

Our Missionaries.

Missionaries Retired.—Dr. Eleanor B. Wolf, now Dr. Eleanor Wolf-Stewart, Miss Rebekah Hoffman, now Mrs. H. P. Davies, Miss Tillie Nelson, Dr. Betty Nilsson and Miss Susan Monroe, after years of consecrated service in India returned to this country during the biennium. The two first-named have assumed other responsibilities, and the last three will be detained in this country for some time.

New Missionaries.—The missionaries commissioned and sent to India during the biennium were: Mrs. Elizabeth Reese-Wilkins, M.D., Miss Mary R. Fleming, M.D., Miss Blanche De Remer, R.N., Miss Mette K. Blair, R.N., Miss Maida Meissner, R.N., Miss Viola Steigerwalt, R.N., Miss E. Pauline Whitteker, R.N., Miss Selma Anderson, M.A., Miss Edna Engle, M.A., Miss Lilith Schwab, Miss Alice Nickel and Miss Marion Eyster.

To Africa.—Miss Marie Martens, R.N., Sister Ruth Robeson, Miss Elsie Otto, Miss Mary E. Bauer, R.N.

To Japan.—Miss Marion Potts, A.B., Miss Reba Hendrickson, Miss Helen Shirk.

To South America.—Mrs. Anna Mueller.

Under Appointment.—To India, Miss Isie Weygandt, B.A.

Outlook for the New Biennium.

In reviewing the past biennium and considering the achievements, we anticipate larger results for the new biennium. A realization of our hopes and prayers for the extension of organization, which will mean enlarged funds, and consecration to mission service by still other young women, will mean advance.

A survey of the work carried on during the past biennium with such enlargement as seems necessary and possible, calls for the following appropriations during the new biennium 1922-24.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH BUDGET FOR BIENNIUM 1922-24.

(To be adopted at the Pittsburgh convention.)

Home Field.

Appropriations, support of Home Missions (salaries)	$ 75 000.00
Appropriations, Church Extension	40 000.00
Immigrant Missions, Education of Students	10,000 00
Inner Missions, Settlement Work, Pittsburgh, Pa.	3,800 00
Jewish Missions, Women Assistant, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,400 00
Board of Education, Salary, Secretaries Women Students	6.000.00
West Indies, Support of Missionary and Children	5,400 00
Board of Ministerial Relief	10,000.00
	$152,600.00

Foreign Fields.

Africa:

Salaries	$ 13,500.00
Budget	8,000 00
Travel Appropriations	6.000 00
Building Operations	15,000.00
	$ 42,500.00

India:

Salaries	$ 50,000.00
Budget	107,000 00
Travel	14,000.00
Building	60,000.00
India Colleges, Madras and Vellore	4,000.00
	$235,000.00

Japan:

Salaries	$ 12,000.00
Budget	26,400 00
Travel	2,000.00
Building	75,000.00
	$115,400.00

South America:

Salaries and Budget	$ 8,200.00

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Literature	$ 36,000.00
Departments	15,000.00
Biennial Convention	12,000.00
Medical Education in America	9,600.00
Administration, Office, Salaries, Executive Board	18,200.00
	$ 90,800.00

SUMMARY.

Home Missions	$152,600.00
Foreign Missions	401,100.00
General Appropriations	90,800.00
Total Budget	$642,500.00

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. G. TRAVER, *President.*
MRS. HELEN C. BEEGLE, *Executive Secretary.*

Mrs. Sydney R. Kepner, the President of the Women's Missionary Society, was conducted to the platform by Dr. Keller. She brought greetings of the Society to the Convention. She spoke of the work of the Society and thanked the Convention for the privilege of advisory membership on the various Boards of the Church. She called attention to the remarkable strides of the Light Brigade, to the literature of the Society, the work the Society is doing for women in the foreign fields and a proposed survey of conditions among the mountainfolk in the South. She appealed for organization of societies in congregations and efforts to increase membership of existing societies. The slogan for the year is, "A Missionary Organization in Every Congregation of our United Lutheran Church."

At the request of the President, the Rev. George J. Gongaware responded to the greetings of the Society. He said, "There is not a gentleman present who has not a feeling of profound appreciation for the work of your Society. There are two groups of us: first of all, the clergymen of this audience have an opportunity to rise to this toast: 'The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church; your Devotion, our Delight.' The Laymen also lift their hats with the greatest respect, to this Society, and offer this toast: 'The Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church; your Achievements, our Challenge.' And as a United Body of clergy and laity we shall offer this as our toast: 'The Women's Missionary Society of the

United Lutheran Church; your holy Purpose, our Pride.'" The Convention adopted these sentiments by a rising vote.

The Report of the Committee on Women's Work was adopted.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Harlan K. Fenner.

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FIFTH MEETING

Morning Session

Monday, October 23rd, 8:45.

Morning devotions were conducted by the Rev. A. C. Schenck.

Acting President Burgess called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of Friday afternoon and Saturday morning Sessions were read and approved.

Tellers Committee No. 3 reported and elections were declared as follows:

Board of Foreign Missions

For Term Expiring 1928

Mr. H. L. Bonham

Immigrants' Mission Board

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. J. Elmer Bittle
Rev. George Gebert
Rev. E. W. Simon
Mr. R. J. Sautter

For Term Expiring 1926

Mr. Frank M. Fox

Committee on Jewish Missions

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. M. L. Enders
Rev. F. O. Evers
Rev. E. R. McCauley
Mr. H. L. Snyder

There is one clergyman yet to be elected for this term.

For Term Expiring 1926

Rev. Alvin E. Bell

Board of Home Missions and Church Extension

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. O. D. Baltzly
Rev. C. E. Gardner
Rev. G. F. Gehr
Rev. O. H. Gruver
Mr. C. H. Boyer
Mr. C. J. Driever
George E. Neff, Esq.

For Term Expiring 1926

Rev. J. M. Bramkamp

For Term Expiring 1924

Dr. G. E. Holtzapple

West Indies Mission Board

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. S. N. Carpenter — Rev. J. J. Scherer
Rev. F. U. Gift. — Dr. M. S. Boyer
Rev. W. M. Horn

The Committee reported that there were two laymen yet to be elected for this term.

For Term Expiring 1924

Rev. F. H. Bosch — Mr. J. H. Brandt

Board of Northwestern Missions

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. Theo. Hartig — Rev. Ch. Knudten
Rev. Ph. Kirchner — Rev. O. Krauch
Rev. O. C. D. Klaehm — Mr. M. Wulff

The Committee announced that there was one layman yet to be elected for this term.

For Term Expiring 1924

Rev. G. H. Michelmann — Mr. August Becker

One clergyman yet to be elected for term expiring 1924.

The Committee reported that Saturday's election for a member of the Executive Board was without result.

The President announced that there would be another election for a clerical member of the Executive Board today and that in addition to elections necessary as indicated by the report of the Tellers there would be elections today for members of the Board of Education, the Parish and Church School Board and the Board of Publication.

The Rev. A. J. Turkle had charge in the presentation of the Report of the Board of Education.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. President and Delegates to the Third Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America:

Fathers and Brethren: In the report of your Board of Education submitted two years ago there was set forth in considerable detail a statement of the Board's principles and policies, its interpretation of its constitutional functions and its proposed methods of operation in carrying out these func-

tions. The convention at Washington unanimously approved of that statement of scope of work and methods of operation, and the Board during the past biennium has proceeded according to the principle and methods then set forth and herewith presents its report of the efforts made and the results achieved. On the whole the report is full of encouragement and hope. The outstanding feature of the record is the phenomenal, post-war increase in attendance at all of our schools. In the reports from institutions it will be noted that a number of our institutions feel compelled to consider the policy of restricting the attendance. This greatly increased attendance has also multiplied the financial and other problems of administration. These increased financial necessities of our schools on the one hand and the financial retrenchment by the Board for the second year of the biennium, made necessary by the failure of the Church to give the opportioned amount, on the other hand, made this biennium and this report of unusual seriousness and significance. The work of the Board has been carried out through its several departments, as will be set forth later. The cause is the fundamental and most far-reaching in the life of the Church and your earnest attention to and prayerful co-operation in the work of this agency are most urgently solicited. Christian Education is, without doubt, the most timely and important theme in the thoughts of leaders, whether in church or secular circles. Your Board of Education, dealing with the cause in its various phases, craves and deserves your steadfast sympathetic attitude and ever increasing support.

I—Matters of Record.

Organization.

At the Washington Convention were elected to this Board:

For two years:

Rev. E. E. Blint, D.D.,
Mr. John M. Snyder.

For four years:

Hon. Augustus S. Downing, LL.D.

For six years:

Rev. Alonzo J. Turkle, D.D.,
Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D.,
Rev. Howard R. Gold,
Rev. H. G. Buehler, Litt. D.,
Mr. Henry Denhart,
Hon. Frank M. Riter, LL.D.,
W. T. Stauffer, Esq.

The Advisory members of the past Biennium have been:

From the Women's Missionary Society:

Mrs. S. R. Kepner,
Miss Sarah VanGundy.

From the Augustana Synod:

Prof. D. A. Leonard.

The following officers were elected by the Board for the Biennium:

President, Rev. Alonzo J. Turkle, D.D.
Vice-President, Rev. George J. Gongaware, D.D.
Recording Secretary, Rev. Howard R. Gold.
Treasurer, Mr. John M. Snyder.

Upon the resignation of Robbin B. Wolf, Esq., in view of his election to the Executive Board, his successor on the Board of Education, Glenn M. Cummings, Esq., of Cleveland, Ohio, was nominated by the Board of Education and elected by the Executive Board for the balance of the biennium.

The Executive Staff for the work of the Board is as follows:

Departmental Secretaries.

Miss Mary E. Markley, Women Students,
437 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Rev. Carolus P. Harry, Students in State Universities,
210 W. Fornance Street, Norristown, Pa.

Rev. Charles S. Bauslin, D.D., College Secretary,
Evangelical Building, Harrisburg, Pa.

Rev. Frederick G. Gotwald, D.D., Executive Secretary,
47 Market Street, York, Pa.

Rev. Paul H. Krauss, Secretary for University Students, had resigned in December, 1920.

The nominations of the Board for the terms which expire at this Convention are as follows:

For unexpired term of two years:

G. M. Cummings, Esq., Cleveland, Ohio.

For full term of six years:

Rev. L. F. Gruber, D.D., LL.D., St. Paul, Minn.
Rev. J. H. Harms, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. M. J. Kline, D.D., Altoona, Pa.
Rev. Henry W. Snyder, Johnstown, Pa.
Mr. John M. Snyder, Elkins Park, Pa.
Mr. F. W. Albrecht, Akron, Ohio.
Mr. Emil Hokanson, Milwaukee, Wis.

Location of Board.

The Washington Convention (see p. 108 of Minutes) adopted the following:

"That accordingly the Boards be located with the beginning of the third Biennium as was recommended by the Joint Committee."

Without awaiting the third Biennium (1922-1924) the Board of Education has held its meetings in Washington, as contemplated in the recommendation above referred to, during the past biennium—but its conviction is that it would make neither for economy nor efficiency of administration to transfer its executive staff to Washington, at least for the present. In this present policy it bespeaks the approval of the Convention.

Beginnings of University Student Work.

Attention has been called to what seems to have been an inaccuracy in the report of the Board two years ago which was inadvertently made in reciting some of the early experiences in the University Student Work as originally conducted by the former General Council. For the sake of historical fairness and accuracy the Board would herewith make the following statement which it regards as a correct statement of the beginnings of this important Department of its work.

It was in July of 1907 when the University Student Work in the Lutheran Church in this country began at Madison, Wisconsin, at which time the Board of Home Missions of the General Council, then under the administration of Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D., General Secretary, located a pastor at the University of Wisconsin at that place, with instructions to study the field and ascertain whether the Luther students there would welcome a pastor and Church that aimed to meet especially their religious needs. Through the efforts of Rev. W. K. Frick, of Milwaukee, and the District Field Missionary of the Home Mission Board, Rev. A. C. Anda, services had been conducted for several months, chiefly by students from the Chicago Theological Seminary.

Thus was made possible the organization of a congregation of thirty-six members, composed of both students and townspeople. A call was extended by the congregation, in co-operation with the Home Mission Board, to Rev. Howard R. Gold to become pastor, and thus the first University Student Pastorate was established.

From this time a definite policy and program of work was developed and maintained without interruption. From this beginning it was extended to other universities. At the meeting of the General Council in Minneapolis, a few years later, a special committee was charged with the supervision and promotion of this Department of Work. Thus when the United Lutheran Church was organized, the program of activities and the funds of this committee were merged into the newly created Board of Education, members of this committee becoming members of this Board.

Since the merger the work has been continued and greatly enlarged in scope, as the Department of Religious Work in State Universities of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Budget.

The Board closed the Biennium 1918-1920 in arrears on its promised appropriations to institutions to the extent of $20,000, due to the non-

payment by the Church of its full apportionment. This unpaid balance had to be carried over into the Biennium as an obligation still due our schools. In view of the prospects and plans for a Stewardship Department adopted at the Washington Convention the Board felt warranted in continuing practically the same amount for institutions ($105,500) as its Budget for the first year of the Biennium. But again the receipts of the Church were disappointing, only sixty-five per cent. of the apportionment being received. The result was a further increase of the arrearage to institutions. The Budget for the second year of the Biennium was, therefore, drastically reduced, in most cases sixty per cent., and the institutions notified that even these greatly reduced appropriations could be paid only if the Church provided the funds. The arrearages of the previous years have now been paid, but for the second year of the Biennium payments only to October first have been made, leaving a balance promised our institutions to August 1, 1922, of $40,000, for the ten months since October 1, 1921. The need for this by all our Schools is most serious, in some cases even tragic in its acuteness. Hence we asked the Finance Committee of the Executive Board to add this amount to our apportionment for the coming biennium, $20,000 for each year. This is absolutely needed, for even if the Board should reduce its appropriations to some of the stronger schools, as contemplated in an action adopted at the Washington Convention, this amount would be more than required for increased appropriations to some of the more needy of our twenty-eight institutions, not to mention the greatly desired expansion of our other departments. Hence unless this arrearage is cared for by an increase of apportionment, the future normal work of the Board would be seriously crippled until the arrearages could be paid. For the Board regards these past promises to our schools as a moral obligation, particularly as our schools, on the strength of these promises, have in turn assumed obligations, which the Board's delay in payments has made most burdensome.

Survey Commission Report.

In compliance with the action of the Washington Convention (see Minutes, p. 495) the Board of Education appointed its Executive Secretary to represent it in making the proposed Missionary and Educational surveys in the Northwest and on the Pacific Coast. The Commission's full report has been made to the respective Boards whose three representatives composed the Commission. The Board of Education adopted the Report and its findings unanimously. By common consent of the three agencies involved the text of the Report is to be presented to this Convention through the Report of the Executive Board, whose President, Dr. Knubel, was Chairman of the Commission.

Appeal for Saskatoon College and Seminary.

In accordance with the action of the United Lutheran Church in the Washington Convention the Northwestern Mission Board and the Board of Education laid the needs of the institution before the Church, and fol-

lowed it with an appeal in the spring of 1921. From this appeal the sum of $8,139.22 was realized in cash.

The appeal was repeated in February, 1922, and the following months, with a result that an additional amount of $12,354.94 was obtained in cash.

The second part of the appeal was especially made through the officers of the synods, with a suggested quota for each body. Two of the synods have voted to pay their unraised quotas from the Synod treasury. During September the appeal will again be stressed.

Gifts.

Grateful acknowledgment is, herewith, made of the several gifts made to the Board during the Biennium. An annuity gift of $12,500 by anonymous friends of the cause was the largest. Others were the $1,000 Scholarship Fund for Young Women, from Mrs. F. E. Dussel, of Alliance, Ohio, and a bequest of $300 from the late Mrs. Anna M. Lake, of Gettysburg, Pa., the widow of the late Rev. Dr. John W. Lake.

Literature.

In addition to the publications of the several Departments, as reported by them, the Board has published "Religion and the Tendency of Modern Science" by former President Elson of Thiel College; "Religious Education" by Secretary Charles S. Bauslin, and "The Place of Scholarship in Ministerial Training" by Rev. Prof. S. G. Hefelbower, D.D., of Carthage College, and is about to issue "The Christian College" by President Tulloss of Wittenberg College, an Educational Handbook in behalf of the general cause and a special volume in behalf of recruiting.

Co-operation with the Brotherhood.

Several conferences with the officials of the Lutheran Brotherhood were held, looking toward co-operation in carrying out the Brotherhood's efforts in behalf of Christian Education. The Board of Education has gladly co-operated in the matter of supplying the literature for the Brotherhood meetings for the study of the work of the Church in Christian Education.

The Brotherhood has not found it feasible to carry out the project of building a chapel for the University Student Work in Boston, as contemplated two years ago. But it is co-operating with the Board of Foreign Missions in the raising of $5,000 for a dormitory for the Boys' School at Kumamoto, Japan; thus combining the missionary and educatoinal features in the first financial objective which it set before its membership.

A Woman's College.

At their fall conventions in 1921 the Synods of East Pennsylvania, West Pennsylvania and Maryland took actions looking toward the establishment of a Standard College for women under Church control and auspices. The Board of Education welcomed this important initiative action and appointed a committee of seven to co-operate. Several joint committee meetings have been held, other Synods (east of Ohio and north of North

Carolina) have been invited to participate, scope and standards have been considered and it is hoped that during the coming Biennium this long desired educational facility for the young women of the Church will have been established. Rev. Dr. J. H. Harms is Chairman of the Joint Committee.

Possible Inter-Synodical College Co-operation.

As early as April, 1919, the President of the Norwegian Lutheran Church proposed to the President of The United Lutheran Church in America a basis for the co-operative control and administration of that Synod's Junior College at Spokane, Washington. This plan was to include the United Lutheran Church in America, the Joint Synod of Ohio and the Augustana Synod in the proposed joint undertaking. The necessity for such combining of educational efforts had become obvious after the very difficult and unsuccessful efforts by these other Lutheran bodies to establish and conduct by themselves successful standard colleges. The Spokane Institution was visited by our Executive Secretary in connection with his visit to Spokane with the Survey Commission. In spite of our limited constituency in eastern Washington this Board stands ready to recommend our participation in such a joint effort at Spokane.

However, nothing further was ever presented by the authorities of the Norwegian Lutheran Church and the whole proposal is, therefore, no farther advanced than when the original tender was made by President Stub. Complying with an overture to the Washington Convention from the Pacific Synod (see Minutes, p. 491) our representative also investigated the proposal of the authorities of the Norwegian Lutheran Church Institution at Tacoma, Washington (Parkland), to convert this Institution, which is now hardly a junior college, into a full standard College under the joint auspices of the same four General Bodies which were included in the Spokane plan. This project has the hearty approval of our Pacific Synod and the Board of Education will also gladly recommend a favorable attitude by The United Lutheran Church, should the opportunity for such a joint undertaking come before it in a tangible and equitable form. Assurances to this effect were given by our representative to the Norwegian Lutheran Conference authorities who were met at Seattle. The local representatives of the Joint Synod of Ohio and of the Augustana Synod also seemed entirely favorable. All are agreed that it is financially impracticable for any one of the General Bodies alone to successfully maintain a Standard College on the Pacific Coast. Hence if any Lutheran College is to be achieved in that section it can only be done by the united financial backing of all the General Bodies occupying that territory. This necessity and this method of college operations in the Northwest and on the Pacific Coast have been recognized by the action of the Washington Convention (see Minutes, p. 491), the report of the Survey Commission concerning "the location of any (college) institutions for the Coast," and the conviction of the Board itself as herewith expressed. Negotiations with the Norwegian Lutheran Church Educational

Board are now pending. This policy will, therefore, be consistently followed and encouragement given at every opportunity afforded for such joint efforts by the authorities of the General Bodies concerned. We are hopeful that in carrying out this policy the newly constituted Board of Education of the Augustana Synod (which Body already co-operates in University Student Work) will be a sympathetic and valuable colleague. We ask for full power, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, to make effective any wise and feasible inter-Synodical co-operative plans which may become available during the coming biennium in the Northwest or on the Pacific Coast.

Standardization of Colleges.

The Board of Education has been asked several times to institute efforts for the more accurate classification of the various Educational Institutions of The United Lutheran Church. This it has not, as yet, been either inclined or prepared to do, particularly in view of the transition period of the Church and her Institutions immediately following the merger and also in view of the great variety of local and Synodical antecedents and requirements throughout the Church. It has felt also that the Church would be unprepared for the startling revelations which might be made in such a standardizing exhibit. However, the time has now come, in the progressive application by the Board of its Constitutional functions, to make clear to the Church the progress of Educational Standards which are beeing adopted and enforced throughout the educational circles of our country, standards with which our Church Institutions are in direct and trying competition and to the benefit of which higher advantages our youth are entitled in their educational progress. Herewith is presented what may be regarded as a fair statement of the minimum requirements for accredited colleges.

It has been prepared by the most competent representatives of national ecclesiastical and secular educational organizations. It will be in harmony with these principles and standards that this Board will proceed in any future efforts it may make in classifying the Institutions of The United Lutheran Church. These required standards were adopted in 1921 by the American Council on Education and other National Educational bodies, and will more and more be enforced by the various regional, state and national standardizing agencies. They are as follows:

Principles and Standards for Accrediting Colleges.

The term "college" as used below is understood to designate all institutions of higher education which grant non-professional bachelor's degrees. Those formulating these standards recommend to the various regional and national standardizing agencies, as constituting minimum requirements, the following principles which should be observed in accrediting colleges:

1. A college should demand for admission on the satisfactory completion of a four-year course in a secondary school approved by a recognized accrediting agency or the equivalent of such a course. The major portion

of the secondary school course accepted for admission should be definitely correlated with the curriculum to which the student is admitted.

2. A college should require for graduation the completion of a minimum quantitative requirement of 120 semester hours of credits (or the equivalent in term hours, quarter hours, points, majors, or courses), with further scholastic qualitative requirements adapted by each institution to its conditions.

3. The size of the faculty, should bear a definite relation to the type of institution, the number of students and the number of courses afforded. For a college of approximately 100 students in a single curriculum the faculty should consist of at least eight heads of departments devoting full time to college work. With the growth of the student body the number of full-time teachers should be correspondingly increased. The development of varied curricula should involve the addition of further heads of departments.

The training of the members of the faculty of professorial rank should include at least two years of study in their respective fields of teaching in a recognized graduate school. It is desirable that the training of the head of a department should be equivalent to that required for the doctor's degree, or should represent a corresponding professional or technical training. A college should be judged in large part by the ratio which the number of persons of professional rank with sound training, scholarly achievement and successful experience as teachers bears to the total number of the teaching staff.

Teaching schedules exceeding sixteen hours per week per instructor or classes (exclusive of lectures) of more than thirty students should be interpreted as endangering educational efficiency.

4. The minimum annual operating income for an accredited college exclusive of payment of interest, annuities, etc., should be $50,000 of which not less than $25,000 should be derived from stable sources, other than students, preferably from permanent endowments. Increase in faculty, student body and scope of instruction should be accompanied by increase in income from endowment. The financial status of each college should be judged in relation to its educational program.

5. The material equipment and upkeep of a college, including its buildings, lands, laboratories, apparatus, and libraries, and their efficient operation in relation to its educational progress, should also be considered when judging an institution.

A college should have a live, well-distributed, professionally administered library of at least 8,000 volumes, exclusive of public documents, bearing specifically upon the subjects taught and with a definite annual appropriation for the purchase of new books.

6. A college should not maintain a preparatory school as part of its college organization. If such a school is maintained under the college charter it should be kept rigidly distinct and separate from the college in students, faculty, buildings and discipline.

7. In determining the standing of a college emphasis should be placed upon the character of the curriculum, the efficiency of instruction, the standard for regular degrees, the conservatism in granting honorary degrees, the tone of the institution and its success in stimulating and preparing students to do satisfactory work in recognized graduate, professional, or research institutions.

8. No college should be accredited until it has been inspected and reported upon by an agent or agents regularly appointed by the accrediting organization.

II—Reports of Departments.

A—Department of Institutions.

This Department reaffirms to the Church its conviction that unless the Church constitutes itself an active force to lend help and guidance to our institutions of learning when it is needed the influence of the Church on education will become a thing of the past.

We have not yet realized the necessity of religion in education. All educators, even state schools admit it; the Church has been slow to take the lead. We have failed to realize the true missionary value of our schools. On the foreign field that is a truism; here at home we leave our historic colleges to shift for themselves.

The Board is optimistic, however, with regard to the increasing interest of the Church in education and in regard to the progress of Lutheran educational institutions, and we believe there are signs that the time is rapidly approaching for a reunion of the church and college which will bring each close to the other.

The Board through this Department has maintained a point of contact with the educational institutions of the United Lutheran Church.

The Secretary of this Department has officially visited the institutions personally for the purpose of observation of their programs and problems.

Educators and standardizing agencies have been discussing, measuring, surveying and classifying almost continuously for the past twenty years. Educational standards of today (cited elsewhere in this report) have created for our institutions their most difficult problems. Estimating by these standards and comparing their limitations of equipment, we are constrained to declare the remarkable character of the work done by our institutions in spite of their handicaps.

Taking stock of what we have, how we reached this point, where we are going, what steps may be properly taken, and what the Church ought to do for Christian education, our drift in educational work must be toward development rather than leaving Lutheran Church education to become the victim of the forces now beyond its control. To be interested in them, to support them because we are interested, and to promote their welfare until they become the finest and best expression of intelligent Christian life is the ideal to which we call the Church. This Department has used every available means for announcing this responsibility to the Church.

Increased Enrollment: Enrollments at practically all of our institutions have been in excess of anything recorded in former years. With but few exceptions this item has taxed the capacity of the dormitory equipment in every institution.

Financial Gains: The response of the Church financially to the call of Christian education has been the best in history of Lutheranism. Approximately $5,522,000 in the past four years has been contributed to this cause. Since the report of 1920, the following campaigns have been in progress:

Hartwick Seminary	$200,000	Wittenberg College	$1,800,000
Saskatoon College	50,000	Wagner College	185,000
Carthage College	200,000		

We are greatly pleased to announce that several financial campaigns for endowment and equipment, which were in progress at the time of our last report to this Body, have since terminated successfully and have even, in some cases, exceeded their objectives.

Day of Prayer Observance: The most gratifying and promising item in the biennium's work, possibly, is the response made by the Church to the call for the two annual observances of the Day of Prayer for Colleges. Every indication is an assurance that the occasion received Church-wide attention and deserved recognition. The Board of Education's program of activities was given large place in the services on these days. In the case of the institutions themselves appropriate emphasis of the cause of Christian education was made on the Thursday preceding. Several institutions grouped in an effort on their territory for 100 per cent. observance. Several district Synods made determined efforts for the same objective.

DISBURSEMENTS TO INSTITUTIONS

In view of having received from the apportionment less than two-thirds of the full amount, the Board was unable to pay to its Institutions the full quotas. The following amounts were paid to the Institutions during the first year of the Biennium, ending July 31, 1921:

Hartwick Seminary Budget	$1,458.31
Chicago Seminary Budget	1,249.98
Pacific Seminary Budget	3,416.65
Pacific Seminary Special	40.30
Southern Seminary Budget	2,458.29
Penna. College Budget	1,875.00
Muhlenberg College Budget	3,625.00
Muhlenberg College Special	1,374.99
Susquehanna University Budget	2,250.00
Susquehanna University Special	25.00
Thiel College Budget	3,000.00
Wagner College Budget	3,000.00
Roanoke College Budget	3,750.00
Lenoir College Budget	3,000.00
Newberry College Budget	3,000.00
Elizabeth College Budget	3,000.00

Wittenberg College Budget	$1,875.00
Waterloo College Budget	1,658.32
Waterloo College Special	50.00
Carthage College Budget	5,625.00
Carthage College Special	1,541.65
Midland College Budget	8,125.00
Midland College Special	3,000.00
Midland Senimary Budget	1,041.65
Mt. Amoena Seminary Budget	1,249.98
Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Inst. Budget	1,583.31
Marion College Budget	1,083.31
Summerland College Budget	1,249.98
Weidner Institute	1,083.31
Martin Luther Seminary	750.00
Saskatoon Seminary Budget	1,125.00
Breklum-Kropp Seminary Budget	1,250.00
	$68,815.03

The following amounts were paid to the Institutions during the second year of the Biennium, ending July 31, 1922:

Hartwick Seminary Budget	$1,624.98
Chicago Seminary Budget	999.98
Chicago Seminary Special	833.32
Pacific Seminary Budget	2,090.00
Pacific Seminary Special	5.50
Southern Seminary Budget	1,808.30
Saskatoon Seminary Budget	475.00
Gettysburg (Penna.) College Budget	3,675.00
Gettysburg (Penna.) College Sepecial	20.00
Muhlenberg College Budget	4,675.00
Muhlenberg College Special	2,291.66
Susquehanna University Budget	3,300.00
Thiel College Budget	2,550.00
Wagner College Budget	2,550.00
Roanoke College Budget	1,800.00
Lenoir College Budget	2,550.00
Newberry College Budget	2,550.00
Elizabeth College Budget	4,050.00
Wittenberg College Budget	3,675.00
Waterloo College Budget	1,341.65
Carthage College Budget	3,525.00
Carthage College Special	375.00
Midland College and Seminary Budget	4,499.99
Midland College Special	2,000.01
Mt. Amoena Seminary Budget	799.99
Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute Budget	466.66
Marion College Budget	1,299.98
Weidner Institute Budget	966.84
Martin Luther Seminary Budget	850.00
Breklum-Kropp Seminary Budget	1,666.66
Breklum-Kropp Seminary Special	547.50
Summerland College Budget	966.65
	$60,829.47

B—Department of Recruiting.

We are, possibly, even yet unaware of the complex and widespread character of the problem of supply of our ministry and its far-reaching relation to every denominational task. We believe an efficiently trained ministry is absolutely essential to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of Jesus Christ. We believe that it, therefore, devolves upon the church, from which institution these men must be secured, to urge the calling of the ministry upon the attention of its best and most consecrated young men.

We are, of course, appealing to our schools to provide every influence possible for the furnishing in sufficient numbers men who have the promise of becoming mental, moral and spiritual masters, and wielding the influence inherent in effective leadership of to-morrow.

We also believe that our efforts for men for the ministry are best accomplished through the devotion and sacrifice of consecrated Christian parents; therefore, our appeal is being directed to them also.

The opinion has repeatedly been expressed that parents should be questioned most earnestly as to whether they were opposing th possible desire or choice of a son to enter the ministry. There are even Christian families so saturated with materialism and worldliness that they write the sign of equation between success and getting rich. Home religion is losing out in this hustling, restless, pleasure-loving, money-chasing age. If our boys are to look forward to the ministry with interest and desire the home must furnish a climate favorable for the germination and development of high and holy ambitions.

The Home: We are convinced we must look to the home when we seek the explanation for the dearth of ministerial students. It is possible for men and women to sing, "Had I a thousand hearts to give, Lord, they should all be Thine," and then directly or indirectly hold back the heart of a son from a consecrated life.

Social service, civic reform and charity are all well, but where the cross is not held up and Christ's great sacrifice magnified and realized, young men are not going to enter the ministry or feel Christ's constraining love, but will prefer Y. M. C. A. secretaryships and social reform positions which have a semblance of religious work but have no inkling of the feeling—"Woe is me if I preach not the gospel."

The service of this department is mapped out in large terms and for a period of time running through several years.

We are happy to feel that the appeal of this department for the emphasizing of vocational guidance in connection with the observance of the Day of Prayer for Colleges met with the hearty approval and acceptance of the Church at large. We believe the results of this day were constructive and valuable.

Three appeals have been made to pastors of The United Lutheran Church for lists of names of boys and young men prospective for the ministry. The response to these requests has been very gratifying; there,

however, remain possibly 30 per cent. of the pastors who have never made a return. In response to these appeals there have been approximately 8,000 names submitted and are now on file in the office of this department.

This department is in constant communication with these youths, supplying literature and other helps as an opportunity for directing the minds of the sons of the Church toward the ministry and missions.

This department is also maintaining a point of correspondence contact with parents of these youths.

The Secretary of this department has officially visited the schools for the purpose of co-operation in the development of the Christian life of the students, with particular design to interest all the students in Christian work and the urgent call of the Christian ministry and missions.

Gain in Candidates: It is with great satisfaction we report an increase of 18 per cent. in the number of students studying for the ministry in our institutions during the past biennium (not including seminaries).

The Secretary of this Department has discovered in the visitation of the schools eighty-two students who have been directly influenced by our correspondence in directing them toward their decision for college and the ministry. Observation here also shows that fifty-three decisions for the ministry are attributable to his missions at the institutions.

Numerous testimonials have been received at the office showing the favorable effect of our correspondence on parents and boys.

A very special feature of the work of the biennium has been the assistance that this department has rendered to institutions, communities and Synods in conducting Father and Son Banquets.

C—Department for Women Students.

Correlation: The work of this department is, of necessity, closely correlated with that of the other departments. The Secretary for Women Students visits all United Lutheran colleges and schools that are co-educational; her duties take her into any other co-educational institution, state university or normal school, where there is a group of Lutheran women. As a consequence the plans of this department must be carried out in conjunction with those of the College Secretary, of the Secretary for Universities and other Schools, and of the various Student Pastors. Only in colleges and schools for women alone which are situated in towns where there is no local Lutheran Church has the work of this department been carried on independently of other student work under the Board of Education.

With the Women's Missionary Society of The United Lutheran Church the Board of Education, through this department, maintains close co-operation. The Committee on Women Students includes two members appointed by the Women's Missionary Society. The Executive Board of the W. M. S. has from the creation of this department in 1919 budgeted a liberal amount of money for its support. Furthermore, the services of a part time assistant to the Secretary for Women Students, in the person of

Miss Mathilde Peper, have been made possible in part by the generous gifts during the past two academic years of the Missionary Societies of the New York and New England Synod, of the New York Synod, and of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. The Women's Missionary Society, too, through Synodical Student Secretaries, has done much of the gathering of statistics which have been valuable in planning the work among women students; and it has had an overwhelming influence in urging the necessity for work among women students. The United Lutheran Church is the first denomination which properly correlated and placed all work among women students in a Board of Education or similar Board. Such an arrangement is, however, now being made by other denominations.

Aim: The general purpose underlying the work of this department might be summed up from two different points of view: To help interpret the Church to the student; to help interpret the student to the Church. The rapid change in higher education during the past decade and the tremendous increase in the number of young women in higher institutions makes the latter purpose more necessary than one might at first think. Confusion of ideas concerning the nature and place of the Church in modern life, even among young people reared in Christian families, would alone justify the first purpose. Some of the practical methods pursued in following these purposes are:

(1) To bring to students personal assurance of the vital interest of their Church at large in them, both collectively and individually.

(2) To point out ways by which students can be served by, or can serve normal Lutheran congregations either in the home or in the college community.

(3) To give such vital information concerning the program and the projects of their Church as students need to maintain and develop an intelligent and respectful interest.

(4) To find places where students fitted by training and devotion can give full time Christian service through some channel of their own Church.

(5) To challenge students to assume their whole responsibility in carrying on the work of the Church of Christ.

(6) To know the students who are preparing for the specific needs of the Church at home and abroad.

(7) To help students develop their individual Christian lives.

Scope of Field: Our field has by no means been covered, but during the past three years visits have been made in 147 different institutions in 20 different states from Connecticut to Minnesota, from Georgia to Nebraska. Of these 147 institutions 61 have been visited a second time, bringing the total number of visits up to 208. Classified by states, the institutions in which students have been met individually and collectively sum up as follows:

Connecticut ..	1	Rhode Island.	2	Massachusetts.	12	New York ...	32
New Jersey...	1	Pennsylvania .	29	Ohio	12	Indiana	5
Michigan	1	Illinois	6	Wisconsin ...	5	Minnesota ...	2

Iowa	4	Nebraska	3	Kansas	3	Georgia	1
Virginia	4	North Carolina	7	South Carolina	12	Maryland	5

Total 147

Classified according to types the institutions visited groups as follows:

Lutheran colleges and training schools	22
Universities and Colleges—State and Municipal	24
Universities and Colleges—Independent	39
Universities and Colleges—Denominational	28
Normal Schools	14
Training Schools	20
Total	147

Lutheran Institutions: In all of the educational institutions of the Church in which women are enrolled, whether they are colleges, preparatory schools, motherhouses, or hospitals, there have been notable advances in the past two years. These take various directions in the various institutions: New and enlarged dormitories; improved curricula with added courses and departments; more scholarships; new scholastic prestige in general educational associations. The Church has, however, within the past year lost Elizabeth College at Salem, Virginia—one of the four academic institutions for women exclusively. With the graduation of the class of 1922, Elizabeth College was discontinued; but the devotion of its faculty and the influence of its alumnae will long be felt and gratefully remembered by the Church.

Despite the increased enrollment of women in all the academic institutions of the Church the number of women being educated is all too small. For the year 1921-22 United Lutheran colleges enrolled 897 women; United Lutheran preparatory schools, 297 women. Of that number—897 women in United Lutheran colleges—61 per cent. or 546 are Lutherans. How limited a touch our Church has educationally upon its girls and women can be judged by comparing this figure with some of the other figures submitted. It is this condition which has brought about the serious consideration on the part of several eastern Synods of the establishment of a Lutheran college for women which would appeal scholastically and in every other way to all sections of the Church.

Among the students at Lutheran colleges there are scores who are enrolled in the Student Volunteer Movement. There are others who, though not definitely signed up for foreign work, are preparing themselves for evangelistic, educational, or medical service abroad. Others are pursuing courses in Christian training and religious education which will make them valuable to the Church at home.

Statistics: The reports from parishes through the student secretaries of the various Synodical Missionary Societies have given us the names of approximately 2,000 United Lutheran Church girls attending higher institutions of learning. Of these, 850 are reported as attending state or municipal universities, independent universities and colleges, denominational universities and colleges (other than Lutheran). These records are, of course, not by any means complete. In order to get some basis of comparison

we have compared the number of girls reported at 65 non-Lutheran institutions with the actual number of Lutheran girls found there by secretarial visits this year. The results showed 475 reported as over against 1,330 in actual attendance. As these 65 institutions are situated in eight states—Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina—not much of the discrepancy is accounted for by the presence of girls other than United Lutheran. As our synodical reports show a total of 1,600 girls in all institutions other than Lutheran colleges, the comparison of figures used above would indicate that there are approximately 4,500 (4,480) United Lutheran Church girls at institutions other than Lutheran colleges. At the latter (from reports of presidents and registrars) there are 546. The combined number of five thousand (5,050) is the best estimate we have ever been able to make of United Lutheran Church young women receiving higher education.

Financial Appeal to Students: During the World Service Campaign the National Lutheran Council this past winter made the first general financial appeal to Lutheran students, regardless of synodical affiliations, ever made by the Church. Miss Peper directed this part of the campaign and got into touch with more than 26,000 Lutheran students, 10,000 at non-Lutheran schools. The Church owes it to her students to let them have a share in work so full of blessings as this relief work. That the appeal has awakened students to their obligation to their own Church during college days is evidenced by many personal letters and responses as well as by the contributions which were in the main generous, and in some instances sacrificial. Groups of students from 38 Lutheran institutions and from 49 other institutions sent gifts to the special student fund. Many others contributed through their home or college church.

Student Conferences: Every summer thousands of Christian college girls attend student conferences held by the National Board of the Y. W. C. A. in different sections of the country. The Board of Education has been represented for the past three years by its secretaries or other women conversant with the student and the missionary work of the Church at Silver Bay, N. Y.; Englesmere, Pa.; Blue Ridge, N. C., and Lake Geneva, Wis. The average annual attendance of Lutheran girls at these conferences is about 130. Among these students are those who are leaders in Christian activities now on their campuses and who in the future should be leaders in their Church. From several points of view, so far as our Church is concerned, the Lake Geneva Conference is most interesting. In 1921 the 42 Lutheran girls came from 29 universities, colleges and normal schools in 9 states; and they represented the Norwegian, Danish, Augustana, and Synodical Conference bodies, as well as The United Lutheran Church. The note of unity in diversity was the easier to sound in the denominational meeting from the happy fact that we had with us three women missionaries who had served the Augustana, the Norwegian, and the United Lutheran Church Mission Boards. At the same meeting six Lutheran girls spoke

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briefly as presidents of their college Y. W. C. A. S.; three were from state institutions; three were from Lutheran colleges—Carthage, Midland, St. Olaf.

Foreign Missions and Students: Since the merger of The United Lutheran Church and the Women's Missionary Society the Candidate Secretary of the latter has been in correspondence with 200 young women who have been seriously considering foreign mission work. Of these 20 have within that time sailed for the first time to Africa, Japan or India. Of these one was a Deaconess, three were not professionally trained, nine were graduate nurses and seven were college graduates.

A hasty survey of the 200 young women shows some very interesting facts: 35 are nurses; 15 are normal school graduates; 80 are college graduates or students. Of the 80 college women on the list, 40 are personally known by one or the other of the two secretaries for Women Students. Of the other 70 on the list, just about half have an inadequate training or other disabilities which would preclude any usefulness on the mission field. About 30 are young girls in high schools who will need guidance in their aspirations.

The secretary for Women Students since April, 1922, has been acting on the Candidate Committee of the Executive Board of the W. M. S.

With the constant advance in the educational background required of women candidates for the mission field it behooves the Church to follow its young college women with more than desultory interest. And an examination of the list of recently appointed and recommended candidates will show that they have received their college training at state universities, independent universities, denominational colleges, as well as the Lutheran colleges.

Advances Made: The obvious growth in the scope of the work lies in the new institutions that are visited each year with the consequent increasing contacts with students. During the past year for the first time this department has entered the normal schools. Students at these schools are now almost exclusively women. In Pennsylvania normal schools alone there are 500 Lutheran women. With the reorganization of the educational system of normal schools in many States, there will be a constantly improving type of student. The value to a Church of keeping and inspiring the young women who will be the teachers of children in the public schools cannot be overestimated. Enviable is the opportunity of the Church near the normal school to guide these students who in the future ought to be the effective teachers in our parish Bible Schools.

There has been a wholesome increase of curiosity and of knowledge concerning the meaning and need of work among women students. Many opportunities have been offered to present the cause of Missionary Conventions, at Summer Schools, and in local congregations. The columns of *The Lutheran,* and of *Lutheran Woman's Work* have been open to discussion of the work.

One result of a deeper understanding of some of the problems of Church students is the realization that women students who wish to serve through the Church, as well as men students, must often be given financial assistance through some channel of the Church. Our Church colleges have been most generous in this respect but we do not support our Church colleges so generously as to ask them to carry alone the burden of beneficiary women students. The Executive Board of the W. M. S. has for years been assisting financially in the final professional training of our young women. Several years ago the Lutheran Woman's League of Philadelphia established two scholarships at the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania in honor of Dr. Anna S. Kugler and Dr. Lydia Woerner. Now some of the Synods are promising financial aid to their women students on the same basis as it is given to men students. The Board of Education has had since May, 1921, the beginnings of a Scholarship and Loan Fund, available for undergraduate as well as professional training of women students preparing for Church work. It was started with the gift of $1,000 from Mrs. F. E. Dussel, of Alliance, Ohio.

The problem of the student who wishes to enter Christian service other than the Diaconate is receiving increasingly serious attention. The Executive Committee of The United Lutheran Church in response to a request from the Executive Board of the W. M. S. asked its officers to study the situation. The findings were presented to the Executive Committee at its meeting in May, 1922. A committee appointed by the Executive Board of the W. M. S. in June, 1922, presented a report on the use that the women's home missionary societies of other denominations are making of their young women. The Service and Teachers' Bulletin of the Board of Education, which has been circulated in April of the past two years, has helped place a number of women students as teachers in Lutheran schools. In the meantime there come constant queries from students and from their parents, in some cases from pastors, as to the possibilities for Christian service. Occasionally there come requests from pastors for trained parish secretaries or directors of religious education.

Among women students at various institutions there have been formed Lutheran Groups which carry out wholly or in part the program for a Lutheran Student Unit adopted by the Eastern Pennsylvania students at their second annual conference held at Muhlenberg College in April, 1922. Both at this conference and at the conference of 1921, at Mt. Airy Theological Seminary, about half the representatives were women. At these conferences a growing sense of responsibility toward their Church was evidenced by the students.

The immediate needs of the women student work in connection with this department are:

1. Closer co-operation on the part of pastors and duly qualified church women in a program of work among undergraduate and professional students especially in metropolitan academic centers.

2. Local work with nurses in the numerous Hospital Training Schools.

3. Systematic following up of the annual graduates from college and university.

4. Enlarged opportunities for the enlistment of women in Christian Service.

5. Increased facilities for the education of women in Lutheran institutions.

D—Department of Religious Work in State Universities.

Shortly after the last meeting of the United Lutheran Church, Rev. Paul H. Krauss, the Secretary of this department, resigned to take charge of Trinity Church, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The Secretaryship was vacant for over one year and a half. Since August, 1921, Rev. Carolus P. Harry, student pastor at the University of Pennsylvania and in Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, has given considerable time to the general oversight of the department, in addition to his work on his own specific field. He was called to the Secretaryship in May, 1922, assuming full charge at once. Rev. Robert H. Gearhart of Philadelphia accepted the call to become Pastor for students in Philadelphia relieving Secretary Harry of that local work. Rev. E. F. Keever, D.D., resigned the pastorate for students in Greater Boston early in 1922. Steps have been taken, in conjunction with the Home Missionary Board and the Synod of New York and New England, to fill this vacancy.

Regional Organization: Under the direction of Secretary Harry the entire work of the department has been thoroughly organized. Using the foundations so well laid during Pastor Krauss' short secretaryship, the field has been divided into the following geographical regions, with an experienced student pastor in charge of each as secretary:

Region	Universities Colleges or Other Schools	Regional Secretary
North Atlantic (includes New England, the North and West Virginia and north and West Virginia and the Eastern Canada.)	175	Rev. C. P. Harry.
Ohio	39	Rev. E. C. Xander.
Michigan-Indiana (including Southern Canada.)	37	Rev. L. M. Wallick.
Illinois (except Chicago.)	24	Rev. F. B. Heibert.
Wisconsin	17	Rev. A. J. Soldan.
Minnesota-North Dakota	21	Rev. C. A. Wendell.
Iowa-South Dakota	34	Rev. C. R. Scherck.
Kansas-Nebraska	33	Rev. N. D. Goehring.
Colorado-Wyoming	8	Rev. O. F. Weaver.
The South (east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio River.)	96	Rev. G. J. Gongaware.

The West ..... (west of the Mississippi, south of Kansas-Colorado and west of Colorado-Wyoming and Western Canada.)	66	Not appointed.

The figures are those of the United States Educational Directory for 1920-21 and include only Universities, Colleges and State Normal Schools in the U. S. A. They include no Lutheran colleges and no schools or colleges exclusively for women. Many musical schools, and other special schools are not included, nor are any Canadian schools.

The Regional Secretaries, each, have charge of some local student work and, in most instances, are pastors of a congregation in a University community. It is expected that they will assist pastors in all school and college communities to develop the work among Lutheran students there. Where there are no Lutheran congregations, they will visit the school or college and gather the Lutheran students into such groups as may serve the students best. They will afford ready means for keeping the Board intimately informed of all the student problems throughout the territory of The United Lutheran Church. They are responsible to the University Student Secretary and work under his direction and advice. This organization of the field puts our work far in advance. It makes it possible to render prompt and efficient service to the students of the United Lutheran Church wherever they may be in the United States or Canada. It is also economical and efficient.

Work has been begun at the following points:

Massachusetts—Greater Boston (Boston and its environs).

Connecticut—Hartford; New Haven (Yale).

New York—Schools in New York City (Columbia University; New York University and others); Schenectady (Union College); Syracuse; Buffalo; Cornell (under the supervision of the Synod of New York and New England).

New Jersey—Princeton.

Pennsylvania—Schools and colleges in Philadelphia (University of Pennsylvania, etc.); Easton (Lafayette College); Bethlehem (Lehigh University, The Moravian Colleges, etc.); Swarthmore; Haverford; Lancaster (Franklin and Marshall); Lewisburg (Buckness); Myerstown (Allbright); Annville (Lebanon Valley); Carlisle (Dickinson); Chester (Pennsylvania Military); Collegeville (Ursinus); Grove City; Huntingdon (Juniata); Pittsburgh, Schools and Colleges (including University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Technical); Washington (Washington and Jefferson); State College; Perkiomen Seminary (Preparatory School); all (15) of the State Normal Schools.

Delaware—Newark (Delaware College).

Maryland—Schools and Colleges of Baltimore (including Johns Hopkins, etc.).

Virginia—Blacksburg (Virginia Polytechnic).

West Virginia—Morgantown (State University).

The South—The work is just opening under Dr. Gongaware. He has been in touch by mail with all the institutions in his region.

Ohio—Athens (Ohio University); Columbus (State University).

Indiana—Lafayette (Purdue University); Bloomington (University of Indiana).

Michigan—Ann Arbor (State University); Ypsilanti (State Normal School); Lansing (State Agricultural College).

Illinois—Urbana-Champaign (University of Illinois. Other points being opened. Schools and colleges of Chicago (including University of Chicago, Northwestern University, etc.).

Wisconsin—Madison (State University); LaCrosse (State Normal); Whitewater (State Normal); Waukesha; Milwaukee (Marguerite University).

Minnesota—Minneapolis, schools and colleges (State University, Agriculture College, etc.); four State Normals.

North Dakota—Grand Forks (State University, Wesley College, etc.); Fargo (State Agriculture College, etc.).

South Dakota—Vermilion (State University); Mitchell; Aberdeen (State Normal); Sioux Falls; Yankton.

Iowa—Iowa City (State University and other schools); Ames (Iowa State College of Agriculture, etc.); Cedar Falls (Iowa State Teachers' College); Cedar Rapids (Schools and Colleges in the city); Iowa Falls (Ellsworth College).

Kansas—Lawrence (State University); Emporia (State Teachers' College); Manhattan (State Agriculture College).

Nebraska—Lincoln (State University and other schools).

Colorado—Boulder (State University).

Washington—Seattle (State University).

California—Berkeley (State University); Los Angeles (State University, Southern branch, and other schools).

It will be seen that although much remains to be done, the strategic points have been occupied and that easy and rapid building out from these points will follow, especially under the regional organization, with its local and synodical interest and enthusiasm.

General Method.—There are five tools used by the Secretaries of the Board and the pastors with whom we co-operate in helping the students. They are:

The Local Congregation,
The Student Association,
Personal Interview,
Literature, and
Conference.

The aim of the work is not merely to provide pastoral care for students, but much more to give congregational fellowship. The slogan of the work is "The Fellowship of a Lutheran Congregation for every Lutheran Student." Christian life is developed in the congregation by participation in common worship and in united effort for the work of the Kingdom. Our first and primary concern is that students shall become vitally related to the congregation in the college community and that the congregation shall be such that its life shall be stimulating and helpful to the students who come to sojourn for a few years in the community.

At the same time, it is an undisputed fact that students' chief interests

are with their fellow students in the campus. We therefore urge and support our students in participation in the religious life and organizations of the campus, the college Y. M. C. A., the Student Volunteers and the Christian life, Service Groups, etc. Besides, we foster Lutheran Student Associations on most campuses so that our students may come to know each other, receive the help which comes from such acquaintance and from association with Christian friends and be able on their part to render the best Christian service to the college and community during their student days.

Nothing, however, can take the place of the quiet personal interview. We seek that every Lutheran student shall have the privilege of meeting with our pastor or with qualified members of the Church or fellow-students in this way. We do not wait for students to come, we lay it upon the pastors and others to seek out Freshmen and others and open the way for this work with them. Three things should be accomplished by this work—personal sympathetic friendships with information by which real service can be rendered, definite challenge to Christian life and personal consecration to Christ, and assistance in the decision for life-work.

The literature which we have issued has been limited in amount. We believe it has been of a high order and we have assurance that it has helped many. There have been issued eight numbers of the *Lutheran Student Bulletin,* distributed free to all Lutheran students during the biennium. The edition is 10,000, of four pages, filled chiefly with Church and Campus news and other items of special interest or benefit to students. We have also issued two pamphlets—"Living the Life"—a simple explanation of how to live in Christ, and "Why Lutherans Should Do Religious Work Among Students," 10,000 of the first and 15,000 of the second.

Lutheran Student Conferences were held under the direction of the Board in 1921 and 1922 in Eastern Pennsylvania. They were both very stimulating and helpful. It is planned to hold an annual conference for our students in each of the regions into which the field has been divided. The pastors working with the Board in the Middle West met at Chicago early in 1922 and spent two days in conference with Secretary Harry on their work and problems.

Our Board was not officially represented at the conference of Lutheran students called by the Lutheran Brotherhood of America at Toledo in May, 1922. Secretary Harry was present, however, and assisted the students in forming the Lutheran Student Association of America. This is an independent Pan-Lutheran student organization in which many students, members of our United Lutheran congregations have part. The association plans to hold an annual Conference of Lutheran students.

The strategic importance of this work cannot well be overestimated. Less than half of the men and women from Lutheran congregations are in Lutheran colleges. Many who are there will complete their education at the great State universities or technical schools. While they constitute

only about 3 per cent. of our population from their ranks comes nearly 75 per cent. of the world's leaders. They are the "Dynamic 3 per cent." From them must come our leaders in pulpit and especially in pew. With the marvelous growth of the Universities and colleges in the last ten years, the problem has arisen. It is a new problem created by a new situation. It should not cause alarm. We have it well in hand. Other denominations are working by our side. One or two are a little in advance of us in some particulars. Some are following us. Here, at least, we have not been tardy. We look forward to reporting two years hence that with hearty co-operation and earnest prayers of the Church the field shall be quite occupied and that our students shall find Christian fellowship in Lutheran congregations wherever they are. The situation is new. The problem is old. The means remain the same, the Word and sacraments, the fellowship of a Christian congregation, common endeavor in Christ's service, the help of good literature, the inspiration and balance of frequent conferences and the abiding of sincere Christian friendships.

III—Reports of Institutions.

The educational equipment of The United Lutheran Church is herewith set forth in the following reports, the data for which have been, for the most part, furnished by the respective authorities of the twenty-eight (28) institutions reporting. As arranged two years ago, the list is classified according to type of school and then arranged according to age. To make the exhibit complete, three Theological Seminaries not receiving aid from our Board are included, viz: Gettysburg, Mt. Airy, and Fargo Seminaries. Theological Seminaries which are departments of Colleges, such as Wittenberg, Susquehanna, Midland, Waterloo and Saskatoon, are reported with their respective colleges.

A—Theological Seminaries.

Hartwick Seminary, New York,

Founded 1797.

Rev. A. E. Dietz, D.D., *Acting President.*

Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the work at Hartwick Seminary in the past biennium has been the launching of a campaign in the Synod of New York which owns and controls the institution to secure the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars, in order to add to the material equipment of the school and to increase its endowment. Rev. M. G. L. Rietz is acting as Director of the campaign and is meeting with encouraging success in his work. The Seminary this year is celebrating the one hundred twenty-fifth (125th) anniversary of its founding and it is fitting that an effort should be made at this time to increase its facilities and enlarge its usefulness. The oldest Lutheran school in America, serving one of the largest Synods in the United Lutheran Church, ought to be fully equipped for the great task that lies before it.

The course of study in the Theological Department has been revised and a number of new text books have been introduced. The Seminary year is long, covering ordinarily thirty-eight or thirty-nine weeks, and this gives opportunity for thorough training in Theology. Among the forward steps in view at the present time is the introduction of a course for the training of Lay Workers. Also the introduction of a post-graduate course for ministers is under consideration.

One of the most successful ventures of recent years at the Seminary has been the establishment of the annual Summer Assembly which meets the last week in August each year. The attendance at these Summer Assemblies has been large and the courses given have been of a high order. A regular Summer Assembly Association has been formed and incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. Men of the New York and New England Synod have co-operated in this matter with those of the Synod of New York with the utmost cordiality and harmony.

The Alumni Association of the Seminary has added a number of new features to its work. It provided during the past year a fine course of lectures at the Seminary and offered a number of prizes or rewards to encourage the students in their work.

A thorough course of study in the English Bible has been introduced in the Academy Department and this course is now required in order to secure a Seminary diploma. In its Academic Department the school aims to develop the Christian character of its students and to train them for lives of usefulness in the Church.

At the last Commencement there were three graduates from the Theological Department, all of whom are now located in pastorates.

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG, PA.,

Founded 1826.

Rev. J. A. Singmaster, D.D., LL.D., *President.*

The Seminary is a high grade theological institution founded by the General Synod ninety-six years ago. It occupies a commanding site of forty acres on the great battle field. Its buildings are ample and its property is unencumbered. The endowment amounts to $425,000.

The Faculty consists of one professor emeritus, five regular professors and three instructors. The enrollment of students during the past year was fifty, all resident undergraduates, except one graduate who studied under the direction of the Seminary at the University of Oxford, England. No effort has been made to build up a Graduate Department. The Constitution provides, however, for a Post Graduate course, leading to the B. D. degree. This course may be taken in absentia.

The regular courses of study have a broad scope under the two general heads, namely, the Biblical Literature Group in which Hebrew and Greek are required, leading to the B. D. degree; and the English Historical

Group. Much attention is given to the English Bible. All the courses, Classical and Scientific, in Gettysburg College are open to students of the Seminary. The establishment also of a department of Biblical and Religious instruction, especially for lay workers, has been contemplated for several years and it is hoped may be realized in the near future. During the first week of August of each year an inspiring Summer Assembly has been held at the Seminary.

The government of the Seminary is vested in a Board of Directors, elected by such district synods of the United Lutheran Church, as support and patronize it.

SOUTHERN SEMINARY, COLUMBIA, S. C.,

Founded 1830.

Rev. A. G. Voigt, D.D., LL.D., *Dean.*

The charter name of this institution is Evangelical Lutheran Southern Seminary. All through its long history, as a part of a Theological and Classical Institute in early days, as a department of Newberry College, as the Seminary of the Southern General Synod, and more recently as the Seminary of the United Synod in the South, this school had no charter. But within the last biennium it has received a charter from the State of South Carolina.

The past biennium has been a period of conservation rather than of marked advance. The time was not favorable either for increase of students or for raising funds for better equipment. For several years the need of two professors' houses has been felt, and there was the will to build. But the houses could not be built. They are to be built, however, this summer.

The Seminary has a faculty of three professors. But by recent action of the Board a fourth professor will begin his duties next session. This fourth professor is also to act as Field Secretary for the institution so as to keep the Southern Synods in close touch with the Seminary. The number of students in attendance in 1920-21 was twenty-one; in 1921-22 thirteen. In 1921 there were seven graduates; in 1922 there were six graduates and one man received a certificate for a course without Hebrew. The graduates for the most part find fields of labor in the South Atlantic States; but three of the graduates in the last biennium will go to the foreign field, one to Japan, one to India, and one to Africa. Of the students enrolled in 1920-21 ten were from North Carolina, five from South Carolina, two from Georgia, and one each from Virginia, Mississippi, New York and Japan. Of the students enrolled in 1921-22 five were from North Carolina, five from South Carolina, two from Georgia, and one from Mississippi.

This seminary is a part of the past life of the Lutheran Church in the South. It must remain a part of the life of the Lutheran Church in the

South in the future. Its existence is vital to the development of this part of The United Lutheran Church. The Lutheran constituency in the South Atlantic and the Gulf States is not large, and what there is of it is becoming more and more scattered. It takes a good many ministers to care for it. It is true, the maintenance of the Seminary is a burden on the Southern Synods, but a burden which must be borne to keep the churches from languishing. So the Southern Synods gird themselves to bear the cost. Yet with the noblest efforts it is difficult to get adequate endowment and equipment for an up-to-date institution. However, with all drawbacks the Seminary has some permanent resources. It has a beautiful granite building on a campus of more than five acres; the whole worth $75,000. It has one professors' house and soon will have two more. It has an endowment of about $65,000.

The Southern Seminary was formerly the institution of the United Synod, and it is now the property of the Synods which formerly constituted that body. All these Synods have representation on the Board of Trustees.

The Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia,

Founded 1864.

Henry E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., *President.*

The Theological Seminary at Philadelphia endeavors to provide a center of consecrated scholarship, in the interest of the entire Lutheran Church, for the thorough cultivation of all branches of Theology. In addition to a school for necessary practical elementary instruction for the Christian ministry, its well furnished and catalogued library, open every day of the year, except Sundays and holidays, and, in session time, by night as well as by day, affords ample apparatus for research work, not only to its own students, but to all scholars. While supported by four Synods of The United Lutheran Church in America, its advantages are not restricted to students of any Synod or denomination. Nor does attendance at the Seminary place any limitations upon the freedom of the student in the acceptance of a call to any part of the Church. The presence during the past year of 97 students, prepared at twenty-five (25) Colleges, Universities and Seminaries, representing thirteen (13) Synods, twelve states and five foreign countries, living and studying together with one heart and one mind, is a gratifying indication of God's blessing. The great diversity of homes and churches when students come, besides contributing important educational influences in their daily intercourse, cultivates Christian fellowship, enlarges the vision and forms bonds of permanent interest and affection for their future ministry. But, in the very nature of the case, all this brings increased responsibilities.

A distinctive feature, recently introduced with great success, has been the flexibility of the curriculum, enabling an adjustment of a portion of the time of each student to his previous preparation and attainments. In

some branches the unity of each class is preserved; while in others, there are separations into groups, particularly of the more advanced students, with special tasks assigned for the scholarly work of each individual. Every effort is made to maintain a just balance between the various departments of theological science; so that the specializing process is constantly offset by attention to biblical and practical courses.

To carry out this scheme, an increase in the teaching force becomes a necessity. During the year which has ended, the number of professors and instructors were ten; to which number another instructor will be added for the ensuing year.

The limits of capacity, so far as buildings are concerned, have been reached. The lecture rooms are uncomfortably crowded; every room for the accommodation of the students has been filled. Every indication points to steady growth. In response to this clear call, plans have been prepared by a distinguished architect for extensive changes on our grounds, which have been recently enlarged by the purchase of neighboring properties. The first building to be erected will be a Lecture Hall; and, after that a second Dormitory. Provision to fulfill these plans will, doubtless, be made in due time.

The Faculty are a unit in their sense of responsibility for the trust committed them, and in their purpose, together with their colleagues in the other seminaries of the United Lutheran Church, to abide, firmly, amidst the conflicts and confusion of the present day, by the simple faith which has given our beloved Church its name and its sole right to exist.

BREKLUM-KROPP SEMINARY,
Preparatory Department, Breklum.
Founded 1885.

PROF. PETERSEN, *Director.*
Theological Department, Kropp,
Founded 1882.

Rev. Prof. ERNST ROHNERT, *Director.*
Schleswig-Holstein, Germany.

The past biennium has been one of steady development in line with plan negotiated in 1920 by Dr. Bachmann, as the Commissioner of the Board of Education. This plan was fully reported at the Washington Convention (see minutes, pp. 253-255) and the Board of Education was authorized to grant aid to the newly merged Breklum-Kropp Institution on the basis of the terms of the agreement entered into by the authorities of the two schools and the representative of the United Lutheran Church. An annual appropriation of $2,500 was granted instead of making the appropriation in German marks, with their decreasing fluctuations in value. The first report of the combined Institution is herewith submitted by Pastor Ketels of Kiel, the President of the joint Board of Trustees of the

united work. It should fill the heart of the Church with gratitude for God's rich blessing on feeble efforts and convince her of the advantage in a vital connection with our brethren abroad, whose heroic faith, modesty and fidelity, combined with scholarship and idealism born of a deep spirituality, are an inspiration to us in the great work of Christian Education and especially in the training of our own young men for the ministry of the Gospel

The Preparatory Department at Breklum.

"The great war had completely disarranged the work in our Seminary. Since a number of our students were immediately called to the colors and the rest expected soon to be called, we were compelled to close our doors. Pastor Hildebrandt supplied the pastorate in Sarau in Holstein; Professor Petersen was likewise called to the colors September 25, 1914. Our hope for an early end of the war was not fulfilled. For four long years it continued and we were, consequently, compelled repeatedly to postpone the resumption of our work. In addition to this our institution in the course of time had to mourn a double loss. Professor Braren died July 18, 1915, after having served our institution for thirty years with unexcelled faithfulness and trebly blessed success. He was followed into the heavenly mansions by Pastor Christian Jensen on February 28, 1916. The second loss was the keener since it was he who tried with fervent efforts to improve our institution in every respect, for which object he offered his whole strength with visible success. After his departure Prof. Petersen was relieved of military duty in order to assume the temporary supervision.

The war finally ended. The Lord sustained us during those hard times through the help of friends and brethren. With profound thanks we looked up to Him from whom cometh our help. And we were confronted by the question: May we and should we resume and continue our work? Trusting in the Lord, who had so visibly sustained us thus far, and also hoping for the assistance of our brethren in America, we decided to begin anew. Three former students returned to us and Prof. Petersen, supported by Mission Superintendent Fimmcke, began instruction May 2, 1919. We did this not without the hope that these three young men might eventually be of service in the Lutheran Church in America. We did not dare to receive immediately new scholars because of the uncertainty of general conditions and because our relation to the United Lutheran Church in America was still in need of clarification.

It was, therefore, for us a special pleasure and encouragement to greet Dr. Bachmann as Commissioner of the United Lutheran Church, who arrived the end of July, 1920, with the purpose of re-establishing the old relations with Breklum and Kropp, which had been weakened by the war and of finding through personal conferences a way for united service. A detailed report of these deliberations we do not deem necessary. Since that time they have been submitted to the Washington Convention and

have been approved. Kropp and Breklum have been accordingly combined (into a double institution) so that the theological training will be given in Kropp and the general and linguistic in Breklum. A committee representing both institutions met in Friedrichsstadt, August 23, 1920, and among other things discussed the curriculum. As a result the following subjects were assigned to Breklum: Bible Study, Catechism, Universal History, Geography, Mathematics, History of Literature, German, English, Latin, Greek, Hebrew and Music. This curriculum has been followed in the past two years. For the linguistic training the attainment demanded for Obersekunda in a Gymnasium has been considered as a goal. Through the contributions of our friends in our country and through the very considerable support by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America arose our duty to gain new pupils for our institution. At the beginning of the first semester, 1921, we were able to receive six pupils, of whom two were dismissed as incompetent and one voluntarily left. On March 15th these students passed the final examination and went to Kropp for their theological training. At the beginning of the second semester, 1921, six young men were received. In the course of the semester two had to be dismissed on account of unfitness. The first semester, 1922, witnessed two accessions and one dismissal. For the second semester, 1922, five accessions are in prospect. The record of total attendance is, therefore, fourteen.

This number may appear modest and we would gladly increase it. But the political and industrial future of Germany is still so uncertain, the prices of the most necessary things of life rise from month to month, yea, even from week to week. The expenses for board, heat, light, salaries, wages, etc., increase frightfully. It is self-evident that the unhealthy industrial situation of Germany and likewise her uncertain future spell great hindrance for our work. In those facts the reason is to be sought for our ability to receive only a comparatively small number of students.

Nevertheless, we may speak of a real, though modest, increase in our work in the past two years. Prof. Petersen soon found he could not master the work of instruction alone. Mission Superintendent Fimmcke, whose time was devoted mainly to the English, was compelled to resign on account of ill health. Pastor Hildebrandt received the permanent appointment in Sarau and will not, consequently, to our profound regret, return to Breklum. As a consequence we had to secure another helper and found an excellent teacher in Dr. Kahlke from Hamburg. He was born in Breklum, moved to Hamburg with his parents in 1907, studied natural sciences and graduated from the University of Hamburg. He is serving our institution with great pleasure since August, 1921."

The Theological Department at Kropp.

Students: On August 1, 1920, two candidates had just completed their final examinations, leaving us 6 students, 2 others entered in October, mak-

ing a total of eight for the winter semester. By Easter, 1921, we had nine, by October ten, by Easter, 1922, we had twelve students of whom three received their preparatory course in Breklum; one came from the University of Breslau, the rest had advanced to Prima of different German Gymnasia. The Seminary Board is exceedingly choice in the admission of new students, acccepting only such applicants who are in every respect up to the standard, physically, mentally and spiritually. The three students sent us from Breklum have proven themselves well trained and thoroughly prepared, God-fearing, faithful and worthy of every confidence.

Classes: The three years of Theology are given in two courses; the Seniors and Middlers are combined in the advanced course, while the Juniors are given the elementary course. In some studies all three classes are combined. For the study of English we have three, if necessary four, classes. Our present Senior class has two students, the Middle class seven and the Junior class three.

The Faculty: Consists of four. 1. Pastor Hansen, the successor of Pastor Paulsen, as Pastor of the parish, a man of pre-eminent scholarship, is in charge of the Old Testament department and Latin. 2. Pastor Fliender, a grand-son of the celebrated founder of the modern diaconate, a very able man, teaches Church History, "Seelsorge" and the Inner Mission. 3. Miss Elizabeth Sager, for many years a teacher in England, is entirely in charge of the study of English. She has fully mastered this language and lays special stress on conversation, the study of the "Church Book" and of the English Bible. 4. For all the other branches Director Rohnert is responsible. A son of the well known Professor Rohnert, he is a theologian of unusual attainments, of broad vision, loyalty to the Lutheran Church and her confessions, and of genuine Christian refinement, a man whose personality cannot fail to inspire the students with the highest ideals. He could not possibly stand the strain of all the work resting upon him had he not already had much experience as a teacher of theology.

Examinations: Only two final examinations have been held, the first at Easter, 1921, when Rudolph Krey from Hamburg, and Otto Jung from Homburg (Palatinate), had completed the course; the second in September, 1921, when Hans Moertelmeyer from Eggesin, Pommerania, graduated. In each case the written examinations were continued for five days, followed a week later by a full day of oral examinations in which the faculty was joined by Pastor Paulsen of Brugge, a member of the Board, and of Pastor Ketels of Kiel, the president of the merged Board. Mr. Jung accepted a call to Limeria, Brazil; Mr. Krey and Mr. Moertelmeyer are now serving in the Lutheran Church in Germany, and desire later to enter the work of The United Lutheran Church in America. As the other students are not yet sufficiently advanced, there will be no final examinations again until Easter, 1923, when Karl Schindler expects to graduate. He will be the first graduate under the

new arrangement to present himself to The United Lutheran Church for the prescribed post-graduate course at one of the American seminaries. We hope that in the Fall of that year the three students from Breklum will follow him. We regard it as a self-evident duty not to recommend to the United Lutheran Church such graduates who, in our opinion, would not be well fitted for her work, but desire rather to direct them to other parts of the Church. We hope this policy will be officially approved.

Internal Conditions: During the period covered by this report all our students have been promoted at the close of the regular terms, except in two instances. We may testify of all without exception that they have worked with most commendable diligence, attention and interest. Our demands are by no means small and we have not lowered the standards which, in our estimation, must be upheld and upon which are agreed with Doctor Bachmann. All who have visited us, among them Rev. Adolph Hellwege of Philadelphia, and Prof. Dr. Krueger of Fremont, Neb., members of The United Lutheran Church, have rejoiced in the fine impression made by our student body. . One feels that here everything is subservient to the highest ideals, that everyone is entirely devoted to his work, to the development of the best ideals, and is anxious to avoid whatsoever would impede. As liberty-loving German idealists, as disciples of Jesus, they are imbued with the conviction that today the Lutheran Church can use only the best men and that in this time of decisive battle with radical forces, every servant of Christ must throw himself into the cause with all the powers of body and soul, would he not be put to shame with his message and with the commission of his Lord. High aims control the student no less with respect to the practical work of the Kingdom of God. They are really the leaders in the parish societies, in the children's services, etc., where they acquit themselves most creditably.

The democratic feature of the management of the seminary, the co-operation of the two so-called "Seniors" with the director, has thoroughly commended itself for the discovering and counteracting in good time any unfavorable sentiments and conditions.

We greet with sincere gratitude the decision of the Board of Education that each of the two sister institutions be permitted to continue for the present in the place where it was founded, for this arrangement now serves the purpose best. The very fact that Breklum and Kropp, united, may continue their work separately is a safeguard against possible friction. By the grace of God there has been, up to this time, no friction whatever in any matter.

Both institutions are working according to a harmoniously constructed curriculum and under a common board, corresponds to the agreement suggested by Doctor Bachmann. In this way differences between the two departments of the united seminary are best eliminated; it also

expresses best the inner unity of both. That professors and students of each remain in close fraternal touch with the other by correspondence and visits is self-evident.

The Buildings: The buildings of the Kropp Seminary, which during the war had considerably deteriorated for want of repairs, have been restored. The isolated location, in the midst of a beautiful pine forest, is peculiarly fitted for concentration and study.

The Household: The unusual efficiency of our matron, Frau Hinrichsen, who has served in this position since 1906, explains the comparatively low cost of maintaining our refectory in the face of soaring prices for all food-stuffs. The director, who lives in the seminary building, but has his own household, has the general supervision of that department, as also of the grounds and buildings.

Health and Exercise: The health of our students has usually been good. By the grace of God there was no serious illness. The physicians of the other institutions in Kropp are ever ready to serve us. The invigorating climate is especially favorable for hard, intellectual work. The limited free time our students spend in athletics, gardening and hikes; also instrumental music and singing are vigorously fostered. Work in the parish societies, the Sunday School and Bible hours given in neighboring villages, are a welcome change from the regular studies. The nearby cities of Schleswig and Kiel offer many opportunities to our students in the line of arts and sciences, while during the annual vacations Hamburg is a special attraction, especially the "Rauhe Haus," the cradle of the Inner Mission, where our students have always enjoyed hearty hospitality.

Finances: Kropp, like Breklum, charges the students for room, board and tuition only 1,000 marks a year. This is today a ridiculously low sum, but even the better situated among our students cannot possibly pay more; most of them cannot even pay this amount and must be granted a stipend from a special fund created in 1919 and maintained by friends and former students of Kropp. The same is true of the Library Fund, which must relieve the regular treasury. It is evident that the Library must be supplied with the books which the students are unable to buy owing to the increased prices. We must, for this reason, have several copies each of the more expensive books.

By God's grace our regular seminary treasury has succeeded so far, in spite of the constantly increasing cost of all necessities, to avoid a deficit. This would have been impossible without the untiring support of faithful old friends, above all, by that of The United Lutheran Church, whose strong arm of fraternal love and loyalty has upheld us. God knows how deeply grateful we are to them.

Looking Forward: We may look to the future with confidence. We can count on an increasing number of students. Breklum, which so far has sent us only three students, has now its classes complete and will

henceforth be able to promote to the theological course regularly. Besides these, Kropp will also, in the future, attract suitable men, college seniors or even university men. By a very careful system of sifting we have had very gratifying experiences with our regular college men (Primaner). Among these are the three sons of university professors, all of them pious young men with a living faith, serious, striving, who have, with God's help, so far conquered many spiritual difficulties usually found in a student's development. Our present applications indicate that by Fall we may expect to have a total of fifteen students, and by Easter, 1923, God willing, possibly twenty.

Active correspondence with men of The United Lutheran Church and several most welcome visitors from there have naturally aroused our students' lively interests in this great Lutheran body. There is hardly one among them who is not filled with the honest desire to serve her, consequently all are convinced of the necessity and the blessing of the prescribed post-graduate course at one of the American seminaries. We are confident all will be found willing and apt students.

When we survey the development of the last two years, we can only prayerfully marvel at what God has done for us—done for us especially through the hands of the beloved United Lutheran Church in America. In a time of sifting, when so much has collapsed, He has not rejected our humble work. He will use it, furthermore, in the service of His holy gospel and of His Lutheran Church. May He give us such grace that all our labors be nothing but an expression of gratitude and fidelity, born of His faithfulness to us. May He give us the grace to prove our gratitude, especially to the dear United Lutheran Church for her great measure of love and confidence with which she has met us, and to express this gratitude not merely in words but in deeds.

We are approaching the fortieth anniversary of the Kropp Seminary. God be praised that we are permitted to celebrate it with most grateful memories of its founder, Pastor Johannes Paulsen, our father in the faith, but at the same time with unfeigned brotherly fellowship in the blessed work of the sainted pastor, Christian Jensen, of Breklum. And that we have the privilege of knowing that not merely on this day of jubilation but on all days with their joys and burdens, with their hopes and cares, we are borne up by the prayers and blessings of one of the largest Lutheran bodies in the world!

Chicago Seminary, Maywood, Ill.

Founded 1891.

Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D., LL.D., *President.*

The establishment of the Chicago Seminary was largely owing to the perseverance and efforts of Rev. W. A. Passavant, D.D., who had brought the attention of the General Council to the imperative needs of a theological seminary in the West. As the General Council was not in a condition

to own and support a theological seminary it recommended such changes in the seminary's charter and by-laws as would make its Board of Directors a self-perpetuating body. Hence its present form of government. Plans for the election of the Board by the supporting Synods are now being considered.

The course of study which the seminary offers is a standardized one. It may be summarized in the following outline:

(1.) The regular three years' course, standardized by a conference of Lutheran seminaries, leading to graduation in residence.

(2.) The post-graduate course of one year, in residence, leading to the degree of B.D.

(3.) The course in the extra-mural department, by correspondence, leading to the degrees of B.D. and D.D.

(4.) A fourth special course—the Department of Public Speaking and Voice Culture. This course is conducted by one of the great masters of the art.

At the close of the school year 1921-22, one minister was graduated with the degree of D.D. from the extra-mural department, and one with the degree of B.D. in residence, and two additional graduates who had completed the regular three years' course. The student body was composed of seven clergymen in residence and seventeen other students in the various departments. The regular course students were twenty-three, the extra-mural students seventy-three, total ninety-six.

A plant of fifteen acres, dotted with fourteen buildings, was comprised in the original plan. Of these buildings, eleven have been erected and are fully equipped for use. They are the administration building, two dormitories, the commons, the heating plant, and six professors' homes. The three yet needed to complete the list are a chapel, a library building and a gymnasium.

During the biennium a member of the Board endowed a chair with the sum of $50,000, the residue of his estate. A woman, who always took an active interest in the seminary's welfare, left, by will, a tract of land valued at $25,000. A third bequest of $10,000 in cash and a farm valued at $35,000 will come to the seminary in course of time. These sums, as yet, are only in small part available for the seminary's support. There are smaller pledges which will materialize at no far-distant date.

The Students' Help Fund now approaches $25,000. From this fund students who need help and are willing to render service for it will be aided to the amount of $100.00 per year. From ten to fifteen students can avail themselves of the income accruing from it.

Pacific Theological Seminary.

Founded 1911.

Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, *President.*

With the exception of two weeks teaching by the president the institution has been instructed by Dean Frederick and Professor Kretschmann.

The student body numbers nine, six resident, and three *in absentia,* receiving instructions from their pastors. Messrs. Jensen and Weisenborn have graduated; the first accepting a call to the Virgin Islands, and the second returned to the California Synod, from which Synod both entered the seminary.

The appropriation from the Board has been supplemented by the gifts of the Pacific Synod and of the numerous friends of the seminary throughout the Church. While the seminary has incurred no debt, we have been unable to relieve the distressing situation of inadequate equipment. The Philadelphia Endowment Fund has been increased by subscriptions and donations and when $50,000 shall have been pledged some of the conditional subscriptions will be payable and when that amount shall have been paid in the interest of the fund will be available for the expansion of the work. Pending action of The United Lutheran Church on the report of the Survey Commission on the matter of permanent location nothing has been done in the past year toward the equipment of the property with new buildings.

The Board and Faculty, in the great need for men, have been willing to accept men of meagre and no college equipment as a temporary necessity, but its plans comprehend the enlistment for the ministry of every boy of proper qualification in its congregations in an effort to raise up an adequate and efficient ministry for the Pacific Coast and its hinterland. Quite a number of Gideon's Bands have recently been organized in these congregations and representatives from many of them are to meet in the ten days of encampment and instruction at the seminary in the latter part of August, 1922.

The Pacific Seminary, properly supported, will make ample returns to the Church for every dollar invested.

MARTIN LUTHER SEMINARY,

Lincoln, Nebraska.

Founded 1913.

Rev. F. Wupper, D.D., *Director.*

Our aim is to educate young men for the ministry, who will be able to serve the Church in both the English and the German languages.

Our equipment consists of the seminary building with campus and a residence for one of the professors, the entire value being about $30,000. We have no endowment funds.

Our faculty consists of a professor of historical and practical theology, professor of exegetical and systematic theology and an assistant professor, giving languages and science in the preparatory school.

Our work has been successfully carried on during the recent biennium. We had fifteen students in attendance during the full term last year. Two

of these graduated after passing rigid examinations. One of these candidates, who completed the entire seven-year course of our seminary, will enter the ministry, the other will take post-graduate work at another seminary. The total number of our graduates is ten. Eight of these are in the ministry. The prospects are that we will have fifteen students the coming year.

The finances have been closely connected with the fourth petition: "Give us this day our daily bread." Total expenses for salaries and maintaining the household were about $8,000 per year; of this amount $7,000 were raised by contributions of the German Nebraska Synod and of the Board of Education, and by special aid granted to individual students by Synods and from other sources. $1,000 had to be covered by a loan. The late Mrs. Christine Munstermann of Lanham, Nebr., has willed to the institution the sum of $6,000 which will be available in about one year. This legacy is most welcome, to carry out needed repairs and to furnish a small reserve fund for the future.

It would be desirable to have the income increased $2,000 a year to meet all requirements and to have the assistant professorship converted into a third regular professorship.

The institution thanks the Board of Education and The United Lutheran Church for the aid granted and asks for further consideration.

NORTHWESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,

Fargo, N. D.

Founded 1921.

Rev. Prof. Joseph Stump, D.D., *President.*

In accordance with the resolution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest at its meeting in Grand Forks, N. D., 1921, Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary was opened in Fargo, N. D., October 6, 1921. An opening service was held in St. Mark's Church, Fargo, on the evening of that day. Each member of the faculty delivered an appropriate address, and Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, President of the Synod of the Northwest, installed them in their respective offices as follows: Rev. Joseph Stump, D.D., as president and professor of systematic theology; Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D.D., as professor of practical theology; Rev. Harry B. Reed, D.D., as professor of Old Testament Exegesis, and Rev. Paul H. Roth as professor of historical theology and New Testament and Exegesis.

In addition to the work of the regular professors, Rev. Wm. F. Bacher, D.D., has given instruction regularly five times a week, and Rev. L. F. Gruber, D.D., LL.D., delivered ten special lectures upon apologetic subjects.

The number of students enrolled was nineteen for the year 1921-22, viz.: seventeen undergraduate and two post graduate students. On May 25, 1922, the first class consisting of eight men was graduated with appropriate exercises, the addresses being delivered by Rev. W. P. Christy and Rev.

J. A. Aasgard, D.D., and the diplomas were awarded by President Rubrecht.

By action of the Synod of the Northwest on June 15, 1922, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Northwestern Seminary has been removed to the Twin Cities of Minnesota and will open at 1918 19th Avenue, N. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota, on October 5, 1922.

By action of the Synod a building and endowment fund of $250,000 is to be raised for the seminary. At this date one half of that sum has been subscribed after a canvass of half a dozen congregations. The prospects for the raising of the balance are good.

B—Colleges.

GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Gettysburg, Pa.

Founded 1832.

William Anthony Granville, Ph.D., LL.D., *President.*

On summarizing what the past biennium has meant to Gettysburg College one's heart is filled with deep gratitude to God and thankfulness to many loyal and generous friends. It is firmly believed that greater spiritual, scholastic and material advances have been made during the past two years than in any corresponding period in the history of "Old Gettysburg."

First in importance comes the completion of our Million Dollar Fund on Commencement Day, June 14, 1922. That the goal was finally reached is very largely due to the enterprise and untiring energy of the chairman of the "Second Mile" Campaign, Rev. Joseph B. Baker, D.D., of Gettysburg, Pa. Other loyal supporters, too numerous to mention here, did yoeman service with him in the strenuous work involved. The completion of this $100,000,000 fund means that the most urgent needs of the college for mere endowment and additional buildings will be soon met.

In the charter its corporate name was given as "The Trustees of Pennsylvania College of Gettysburg, in the County of Adams." However, for many years the institution has been popularly known as "Gettysburg College." On November 14, 1921, the corporate name was by a decree of court changed to "Gettysburg College."

During the past two years the college enrollment increased from 405 to 504, or 22%. The number in Gettysburg Academy increased from 88 to 110, or 25%. The Board of Trustees now have under consideration a proposal to limit the student body to 500 regular undergraduates and another to admit no more women students after March, 1923. There are now in the college and academy 85 young men preparing for the Gospel ministry. The number of teachers increased from 31 to 42.

Two new courses have been organized, one a Teacher's Course and the other a course in Industrial Engineering. Next year a major and minor system of elective courses will be introduced in the liberal arts and science departments.

Chief among the improvements and additions to the college plant is the new Robert Weidensall Y. M. C. A. Building, dedicated on June 13, 1922. The total cost of this building, fully furnished, will be about $80,000, which expense has been assumed by the Woman's League of Gettysburg College. The building is named in honor of Robert Weidensall, LL.D., Class of 1860, and is one of the largest and best equipped buildings used exclusively for college Y. M. C. A. purposes in this section of the country. There is a splendidly equipped up-to-date swimming pool in the basement, of regulation size, 20x60.

The first Gettysburg College Summer School opened June 20th for a term of six weeks with an attendance of 80. This was inaugurated chiefly in order to aid the teachers of the State of Pennsylvania to meet the new state teacher requirements which go into effect in 1927.

Last, but not least, is acknowledged with sincere thanks the appropriations granted to Gettysburg College by The United Lutheran Church through its Board of Education.

Wittenberg College and Hamma Divinity School,

Founded 1845.

Rev. Rees Edgar Tulloss, Ph.D, D.D., *President.*

Wittenberg College has enjoyed the greatest year of its history.

The enrollment was larger than ever. The instructional staff was considerably larger than before. The general quality of the work accomplished was very pleasing.

The college enrollment for recent years has been as follows: 1914-1915, 307; 1915-1916, 334; 1916-1917, 395; 1917-1918, 329; 1918-1919, 364; 1919-1920, 398; 1920-1921, 426; 1921-1922, 603.

The Freshman enrollment, especially, is indicative of progress. In 1918-1919 it was 126; the next year, 149; the next year, 187; last year 261. Present correspondence with prospective students indicates that it will be over 300 next fall. It now begins to look as though our problem will be one of limiting our enrollment.

A number of new departments were inaugurated last year including religious education and home economics.

A full time professor of public speaking has been employed for next year, to divide his time between college and seminary.

A Department of Business Administration was inaugurated last year and it is expected that next fall, or at least one year later, a full time man will take charge of this department.

A dean of women began her work on February 1st and a new dean of men, Rev. Ross Miller, M.A. (Harvard), will take up his work in September.

A college nurse has been employed to begin work next fall.

Payments upon annual subscriptions have come in in a way that seems

very satisfactory, in view of the general financial situation. Over $100,000 has been added to the general endowment fund.

A number of important pieces of property adjoining the campus have been acquired.

Construction is now going forward on the new dormitory for young women which will be erected at a cost of over $125,000.

During the year the college received a gift of a farm of approximately 300 acres near Ohio City, Ohio, subject to an annuity payment during the life of the donor, and his wife. The annuity is paid upon the basis of $72,000.

Following out the plan adopted last year, the members of the faculty have co-operated heartily in the efforts to raise still higher the scholarship standards of the institution. With a great deal of regret, but with the feeling that the best interests of the college were being served, students to a considerable number were dismissed from the college at the close of the first semester.

The Board has enthusiastically approved the policy of the institution that no student who does not work earnestly, and in a fair degree to the limit of his ability, shall be permitted to remain at Wittenberg College.

During the year a thorough-going campaign for men for the ministry was caried on throughout Wittenberg territory with unusually pleasing results. Over 500 young men indicated their intention of entering the ministry and more than 1,000 others pledged themselves to give it serious consideration.

Consideration is now being given to a pension system for professors.

It has been voted by the Board to accept free of charge a Japanese Lutheran student to be recommended by the Board of Foreign Missions.

A strong School of Music is being organized and will be ready for work at the beginning of the school year this fall.

The Board has voted in favor of semi-annual board meetings.

The chief problem before Wittenberg at the present time is the financial one. Appeal results are not yet at hand in any large amount, while the greatly increased enrollment and the consequent necessity of increasing the faculty has created the necessity for largely increased expenditures.

No salary increases have been granted to professors at Wittenberg this year.

The institution has suffered a great loss in the sudden taking away of the beloved dean of the seminary and professor of historical and practical theology, Rev. Professor David H. Bauslin, D.D., LL.D. He will be remembered always as one of Wittenberg's great men. After Dean Bauslin's death, Professor V. G. A. Tressler, Ph.D., D.D., was appointed chairman of the seminary faculty and Professor L. H. Larimer, D.D., registrar.

The biennium has marked more than ordinary development in the affairs of Hamma Divinity School. Its purpose is unaltered—adequate ministerial equipment—but its plans and processes are having a constant unfolding.

The past year catalogued 50 students, with thirteen in the post graduate courses. This student body represents ten institutions, eight colleges and two theological seminaries.

It is generally conceded that never before in its recent history has the spirit of the student body risen to so high a point in earnestness and application as during this past year.

Thirteen young men were graduated at the last commencement. They are all now in the pastorate covering the teritory of six Synods.

Of these at least one has made application to the Foreign Board for service in the Indian field.

The Divinity School has plans both for its immediate and remote future. The coming biennium will see three new heads of departments as members of the faculty—one, in public speaking, Professor Paul R. Brees, is now on the ground. Others, in Old Testament and Church history, will be added shortly. In addition to the present factulty, regular and special lectures will be given the divinity students by President Tulloss and Professor Paul H. Heisey of the college.

A new and ample refectory has been fitted up and is now being occupied for the first time to the great enjoyment of the entire student body.

Altogether, the service of the seminary to The United Lutheran Church, especially in the great field of the middle West, seems to be just opening.

ROANOKE COLLEGE,

Salem, Va.

Founded 1853.

Rev. Charles J. Smith, D.D., *President.*

This institution for the session of 1921-22 had an enrollment of 196 students. These were all of college grade, as the preparatory department has been discontinued by the Board of Trustees in the interest of higher standards. The outlook for the coming session gives promise of a still larger enrollment.

The student morale has been excellent, both faculty and students co-operating in an endeavor to build up a spirit of helpfulness and good will in all campus activities. There has been no discipline to speak of, as none was found necessary.

During the session the religious life of the students has been unusually good. Twelve religious denominations were represented in the student body. The College Y. M. C. A. has had a helpful year and the co-operation from the local churches has been excellent. President Smith has taught a large student Bible class each Sunday morning in the college church. The various sections of the dormitory have also had well-organized Bible classes under student leadership. About thirty men are avowed candidates for the Christian ministry, while others will, doubtless, make their decision later.

Roanoke College was very happy to offer its library and class-room facilities to Elizabeth College, when the latter was destroyed by fire. Eliza-

beth College was, in this way, enabled to finish out the sessions which she had begun.

The faculty and trustees of the college are rapidly building up high academic standards. The faculty is being strengthened each year, standard entrance requirements are insisted upon from all applicants for admission, and the minimum scholarship rule automatically drops from the rolls such men as are not able to carry their courses with credit. Roanoke seeks to be a small college where contacts are close and where stimulation will be given to all students to do their best work.

Roanoke College granted no honorary degrees at its recent commencement. Its Board of Trustees recorded themselves as purposing to grant honorary degrees in the future only on the basis of high scholarship or some notable service to Church or State.

During the next year, the college will be in the process of putting on a new endowment campaign for one half million dollars. The plans have already been laid and the outlook is bright.

The following quotation is taken from the action of the Board of Trustees of Roanoke College:

"*Resolved,* that the matter of the relation of Roanoke College to The United Lutheran Church and any of its constituent synods be referred to a special committee of three for special study and report at the next meeting of the Board."

NEWBERRY COLLEGE,
Newberry, S. C.
Founded 1856.
Prof. S. J. Derrick, LL.D., *President.*

With the College session of 1921-22 three new professors began their service in the faculty. Rev. R. A. Goodman assumed the professorship of Bible and Christian ethics; Prof. G. P. Voigt, that of modern languages and literature, and Prof. F. D. MacLean became physical director and associate professor of English.

The enrollment of students this year totals 263.

Beginning on July 11, 1921, and continuing for six weeks, a summer school for teachers, for conditioned college students and for applicants for the Freshman class was held by Newberry and Summerland Colleges at Newberry College.

The record this year of our students in debate, oratory and athletics is worthy of special mention. Our debating teams won in the triangular debate with Wofford and Presbyterian Colleges, and also won over the Baptist University of Oklahoma.

In December, 1921, a representative of the General Education Board visited the college. He expressed admiration of the remarkable work the college is doing in spite of its deficiencies in room equipment and teaching force. Upon his recommendation the General Education Board appro-

priated $5,000 to help pay salaries for this year. This saved us from a dangerous deficit in our current expense account.

The report of the treasurer of the faculty showed very little deficit in current expenses for this year, when there is considered the deficit of last year which was taken care of in this account.

SUSQUEHANNA UNIVERSITY AND SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY, SELINSGROVE, PA.

Founded 1858.

Rev. Charles T. Aikins, D.D., *President.*

During the past biennium Susquehanna University has made a splendid record in the matter of increased student enrollment.

The endowment has been greatly enlarged to the amount of more than $200,000 with an unpaid, good subscription list of about $150,000. There is still lacking about $100,000 to complete the $500,000 needed within the next year. The student enrollment, including the Summer School of the past academic year, was more than 600 and the present year saw a capacity attendance. Thus Susquehanna is enjoying improved conditions in every respect.

The new dormitory for boys, known as Hassinger Hall, is a very beautiful structure, standing on the lower campus—on the west side of the athletic field—and is a wonderful addition to the dormitory facilities. It provides accommodations for 80 young men. This splendid building was made possible by the contributions of the surviving wife and children of the late Martin Luther Hassinger, who was a faithful member of the Board of Directors for a number of years.

Additional lands have been added to the campus, so that there are now forty acres of most beautifully located grounds surrounded by magnificent scenery, stretching many miles up and down the Susquehanna Valley.

The "Doctor Dim property" has been converted into the Conservatory of Music, which has grown to such proportions that the enlargement of the building is rapidly becoming an imperative necessity.

The School of Theology is in a very prosperous condition, with twenty-seven splendid young men enrolled, of whom eight were graduated on June 15, 1922, and are well located in various pastorates of the Church. The importance of the Susquehanna Theological Seminary, located in the very center of one of the largest districts of The United Lutheran Church, cannot be overestimated. The seminary faculty is made up of well qualified theologians, who are also excellent teachers and are highly appreciated by their students.

Susquehanna is one of the most conveniently and beautifully located institutions of the Church and is most central for a large section of Pennsylvania. There are more than 350 congregations of the Lutheran Church within a radius of seventy-five miles. Selinsgrove is a clean

and well kept borough, whose residents are deeply interested in the college students, so that the social conditions are homelike.

In the matter of supplying the needed equipment and endowment for Susquehanna, implicit confidence in the loyalty of her alumni and friends justifies pushing ahead toward the "Greater Susquehanna".

Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

Founded 1867.

Rev. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., LL.D., *President.*

Muhlenberg College reports "still further progress". Two hundred and seventy-two students enrolled, Preparatory School 160 students. Arts Department, in which both Greek and Latin are required, holds it own. The largest increase is in Science Course and Philosophy Course.

This is the third year in succession in which Muhlenberg has taken first place in the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Orotorical Union.

In order that the professors may have opportunity for further development the Board has again affirmed the rule of the sabbatical year.

In the problem of student government and life we have introduced a strict system of monthly control for those who are backward in their work, and also a system dropping students who do not properly take care of unexcused absences. At the midyear examinations we eliminated twenty men.

When, after Thanksgiving Day, 1921, the Committee on Standards of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States reported on the colleges which met the new and higher standards, Muhlenberg College was one of the colleges admitted.

The State of New York has also admitted it to its list of colleges, and it is well known how strict are the standards of the Educational Department of New York State. The one great difficulty which has to be overcome was the guarantee of a sufficient income to meet the shortage of the endowment fund below $500,000. The requirement was met by the annual guarantee of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania of $5,000, and by the grant of $5,000 for two years by the General Education Board.

Thiel College, Greenville, Pa.

Founded 1870.

Rev. E. F. Ritter, D.D., *Acting President.*

The past biennium has been the most prosperous in the history of the college.

The income from all sources has been about $300,000, of which 60 per cent. has gone into new buildings, permanent improvements and endowments. On January 6, 1922, a splendid new gymnasium, 95x115, with basket ball floor running the full length of the building, and tiled swim-

ming pool, 25x75, was opened for use. Erected at a cost of over $100,000, this building was the gift of the people of Greenville to the college and their contribution to the semi-centennial campaign of 1920. The most complete and up-to-date structure of the kind of any college within a radius of several hundred miles, it already is proving itself a great asset to the institution.

The college has also been making splendid progress in its distinctively educational work as well as in physical and material equipment. The student body has increased by 40 per cent., and well attended extension courses have been opened both in Greenville and Youngstown, Ohio. The Science Department has been entirely reorganized and thoroughly competent men engaged to fill the chairs of biology, chemistry and physics. Including this department, the new physical instructor and the engaging of a trained graduate librarian, the college has added ten new names to its roster of teachers and helpers within the past two years. In the new catalogue larger provision is also made for instruction in Bible, Church History and distinctively religious subjects.

Within the past five years Thiel has doubled both its teaching force and student body, increased its budget by 150 per cent., and added in endowment funds and material equipment practically as much as in its entire previous history.

Thirteen States have been represented on its student roll and at the recent commencement exercises a class of thirty-three was graduated.

The Half Million Dollar Semi-Centennial Campaign of 1920, with its wide advertisement of the college throughout Western Pennsylvania and New York, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia, and the merger of the two Pittsburgh Synods, with its increase of the supporting clientele of the college by one-third, have been potent factors in Thiel's progress and growth. Not content with past achievements her friends and supporters are looking for greater things in the future, in scholarship and fruitful service to Church and State.

Some of the pressing needs of the college are a new dormitory for girls, and separate science and library buildings.

On July 1, 1921, Dr. H. W. Elson, Litt. D., resigned his office of president. Since that time Rev. E. F. Ritter, D.D., the general secretary since 1913, has been serving as acting president.

Carthage College, Carthage, Ill.

Founded 1870.

Rev. Harvey D. Hoover, Ph.D., D.D., *President.*

Carthage College advanced in enrollment, financial strength, scholastic standards and service to the Church during the past biennium. The enrollment totaled nearly six hundred and the graduates numbered over fifty.

The college is in the midst of a financial campaign to raise the endow-

ment to $900,000. The college has been aided by the General Education Board. It was placed on the approved lists of the Association of American Universities and the American Association of University Women, in recognition of its high scholastic standards and excellent work.

Approximately fifty of the men enrolled for the past year contemplated the ministry. Recognition was given the fact that 1921 was the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Lutheran College at Hillsboro, Ill., out of which Carthage College grew.

A beautiful gateway was erected at the campus, 1922, in honor of Carthage men and women in the service of their country during the world war, and in memory of Merle Boyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boyer, who made the supreme sacrifice for his country.

This has Carthage done in spite of heavy financial burdens. What could she not have done for Christ and the Church if she received more generous financial support?

Wagner College, Staten Island, New York City.

Founded 1883.

Rev. A. H. Holthusen, A.M., D.D., *President.*

The thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth years in the history of Wagner College, now past, witnessed a number of changes.

In the Preparatory Department the fourth high school year was added, and the New York Regents' plan of examinations introduced.

The alumni have purchased the Vanderbilt estate adjoining our campus, comprising a little more than fifteen acres. Another piece comprising five acres was purchased at the same time, which increases our acreage to fifty-eight acres. In this property the New York Ministerium, to which the college belongs, and The United Lutheran Church, possess one of the finest college grounds to be found anywhere in the United States.

Three cottages have been built for professors' dwellings. Lacking the sorely needed new dormitory, a very well suited building, about fifteen minutes' distant from the campus, was bought by the trustees, to serve as a temporary dormitory. This fall the building of a new dormitory to house sixty-six students, the reference library, a class-room, laboratory, and large recreation room (the latter in the basement) will be under construction.

The faculty of Wagner consists of nine men. Seventy-four students were enrolled last year. Wagner College has only a classical course, in which the German language is stressed. Eighty-four per cent. of its graduates have entered the ministry. Today over eight per cent. of its students have the ministry in view. Among the students is a West Indian negro who is being prepared for the work of the West Indies Mission Board. A large number of young men from the Norwegian churches in the metropolitan district are being sent to this institution.

The property value to-day is $250,000.

Wagner College can give no degree, as the laws of the State of New York require an endowment fund of $500,000 which is not yet secured.

MIDLAND COLLEGE AND THE WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,

Fremont, Nebraska.

Founded 1887.

Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D.D., *President.*

During the past two years Midland College and the Western Seminary have continued to progress. The chief mark of progress is to be seen in the addition of students in the college. There has been an increase of at least forty per cent. since the report was made two years ago. The high standards and efficiency of the school have been maintained. The building program which was contemplated could not be carried out owing to the change in financial conditions in this country. Midland College, being located in a farming community, was especially affected by the low prices in grains and stock. However, during the past two years approximately $75,000 have been secured in cash and pledges for improvements and endowment.

One of the forward steps taken by the Board of Trustees was the purchase of a new home for the Western Seminary. A property known as the Nye property in which the original owner had invested between $150,000 and $200,000 was purchased. In the purchase was included not only the mansion and the beautiful grounds and gardens, consisting of two city blocks, but also its handsome furniture and furnishings and a practically new garage, complete with modern heat and light, which cost originally about $15,000. This is now being used as a seminary library. The building is admirably adapted for the use to which it is being put.

A pipe organ was donated by the faculty and students and has been placed in the college chapel. The equipment of the physical and scientific departments has been materially increased, including a broad-casting radio receiving set.

Midland College occupies a strategic location and is attracting a large number of young men and women looking for a college education. Last year, including all departments, there were enrolled 715 students, a faculty of twenty-eight members and the prospects for the future are bright indeed

President E. E. Stauffer, under whose administration the college was removed from Atchison to Fremont, presented his resignation at the last meeting of the Board to take effect July 1, 1922. Rev. J. F. Krueger, Ph.D., D.D., of the seminary, has been elected as his successor.

The election of Dr. Krueger to the presidency of Midland College will necessitate the appointment of another professor to the chair of historical and practical theology in the seminary at an early day. It is expected and hoped that Dr. Krueger will continue to do some teaching in the seminary.

The number of seminary students enrolled has never been as large as

desired, nor nearly adequate to meet the demands of the congregations on the territory. It is a matter of gratification that the prospects for a considerable increase in the number of resident students next semester are promising. But until an increased interest in the matter of candidates for the ministry is aroused among the congregations on the territory, large numbers cannot be reasonably looked for and the consequent vacancies will be inevitable.

The aim of the Western Seminary is to provide an adequate consecrated and competent ministry for the Lutheran Church in general and The United Lutheran Church in particular, located within the western part of the great Mississippi Valley. Amid the Babel of tongues in this vast territory it stands pre-eminently for the training of a ministry that will be able to cope successfully with the conditions as they exist in this part of America to-day. The Western Seminary encourages such harmonious co-operation with every branch of the Lutheran Church as will enable each to preserve its own genius and spirit and at the same time "keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." It recognizes not only the necessity of fidelity to the Lutheran faith, but also of co-operation among those who profess that faith, if the Lutheran Church in this country is to be a permanent force in the life of the American people.

LENOIR COLLEGE, Hickory, N. C.

Founded 1891.

Rev. John C. Peery, D.D., *President.*

The past biennium has been marked by a very healthy and pronounced development at Lenoir College. The faculty has been strengthened and new professors added. Lenoir now has a strong, well-organized faculty. The number of students has increased to a marked degree. What is most gratifying is the steady increase in the number of students in the college department proper. During the biennium the increase at this point has been one hundred per cent., notwithstanding the fact that the requirements for admission have been much more rigidly enforced than formerly. The total enrollment during the past year was 320.

One of the special features of Lenoir College now is the attention given to teacher training. In this work the college is moving in entire harmony with the State Board of Education of North Carolina and, to some extent, in co-operation with that Board. During this year the approved state summer school for teachers has an enrollment of 185. The college has also, during the last session, conducted Saturday courses for teachers, extending through thirty weeks of the college year. These courses for teachers, both in summer school and in the Saturday school, are practically all college credit courses. Many teachers are thus enabled, within a few years' time, to complete the requirements for the A. B. degree, while at the same time receiving efficient teacher-training courses.

During the biennium there has been a marked increase in the number of students who are in preparation for the Gospel ministry or for work upon mission fields. During 1921-1922 there were twenty-seven students listed as ministerial and mission-work students.

There has been a very encouraging increase in the alumni activities in behalf of the college. These activities culminated at the last commencement in a definite undertaking on the part of the alumni to raise at once $10,000 for the library. This fund is to be used in the purchase of books.

While the income of the college has been greatly increased by the endowment fund raised three years ago, the institution still experiences difficulty in meeting its expenses. The income for the year 1921-1922 was $51,867, including the appropriation from the Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church. The expenditures for the year amounted to $56,171, thus showing a deficit for the year of $4,204.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees it was decided to discontinue the preparatory department, and plans were laid for the further development of the institution.

The present outlook for students is exceedingly bright. On commencement day it was found that the enrollment for next year was sufficient to fill the present dormitories. This is an unusual situation at Lenoir College and makes very urgent the necessity of providing at once new buildings for the students who are demanding admittance.

Waterloo College and Seminary, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada.

Founded 1911.

Rev. E. Hoffman, D.D., *President.*

Seminary graduation services on the 26th of May and college commencement exercises on the 2nd of June closed a most successful biennium in the history of this combined institution. At the opening of the scholastic year 1920-21, Rev. E. Hoffman, D.D., took charge of his office as president and professor of Church history, and practical theology. The number of students has steadily increased, especially in the college department, which has an enrollment of sixty-five during the past year. A fifth year has been definitely added to the college curriculum, an equivalent of the second year of the regular arts course of our Canadian universities. The college has continued to act as feeder to the seminary, every one of the seven seminary graduates of the past biennium having been secured through our college, and at least twenty-five of the collegians now enrolled having the Lutheran ministry in view, with some eight or ten undecided. About twenty-five per cent. of the collegians are non-Lutheran, demonstrating the excellent reputation our schools enjoy in its community. The combined faculty numbers seven men, five of whom being ordained Lutheran pastors. The approximate annual expenditure required to run the institution is $20,000 of which the Canada Synod is expected to raise seventy-five per cent. and the Central Canada Synod twenty-five per cent.

September 11, 1921, the tenth anniversary of the seminary was duly and enthusiastically observed by inspiring open air services on the campus. The visible fruits of the labors of this first decade are twenty-four graduates, two of whom died, while twenty-two are in active service in the provinces of Ontario, Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan and Alberta, while one is a member of the New York Ministerium and one on his way to the foreign fields in India. The unexpectedly rapid growth of our College Department has placed the Board of Governors before the alternative either to limit the number of new admissions or to extend the present plant and create more dormitory and class-room accommodations. The latter course was decided upon and both co-operating Synods have at their annual conventions sanctioned the building of an annex to the present dormitory and authorized the Board to raise the necessary funds for the purpose, amounting to $30,000. Building operations for the erection of the projected sixty-four feet extension will be started immediately. The same architectural style is to be employed so that the structure when completed will be as far as possible a unity. The basement will serve the double purpose of gymnasium and auditorium, which will seat about three hundred people. The first floor will contain three large class rooms for the junior college classes and a library. The second floor will have four smaller class-rooms and the laboratory. The attic will be furnished as dormitory, providing room for nearly thirty more resident students. Although the execution of these plans undoubtedly puts the benevolent spirit of our constituency to a rather severe test, it is the only possible relief of the present critical situation of our school and with it one of the great problems of past years will have formed its solution.

SASKATOON COLLEGE AND SEMINARY, SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA.

Founded 1913

Rev. H. W. Harms, *President.*

The enrollment for both years was thirty, of whom fourteen had the ministry in view; four students were in the theological department; two of whom graduated and will be ordained at the meeting of Synod in July. This marks an epoch in the history of the institution, as these two men are the first workers prepared in the College for the Church.

This school is a pioneer-school in the fullest sense of the word; the congregations have to be initiated to educational work, and the work itself has to be adapted to the peculiar need of the field. There is no call here at the present time for College work proper, but quite a number of young people from the congregations stand ready to go to high school. To these and their parents it is endeavored to show the advantages of a Christian education under the word of God, as over against an education in a splendidly equipped public school without the Word of God. Owing to the immense field which the Manitoba Synod has to serve the scarcity of men, children grow up in many places with very little instruction in the word of God. To improve this lamentable condition, they are educating public school teachers

for the settlements of Lutheran people, that they may be helpers to the pastor in the Sunday School. Six young people from the school wrote their second-class examinations this summer. As there are no young men available with proper education for the Seminary it is necessary to give these boys, who desire to prepare for the ministry, their preparatory education. So, it will be seen, that the high school work is of chief importance at present; any College work which may be necessary, the students take at the University of Saskatchewan nearby.

The work has been greatly hampered by lack of equipment. So far there have been no proper class-rooms, no teaching apparatus and of a library just the beginning. All rejoice that the special fund for this institution, being collected by the Board of Education and the Northwestern Mission Board upon authorization of the Washington Convention, has now risen to about $30,000. This provides the most needed improvements this summer. They have now started to build a recitation hall, which will cost about $30,000, without equipment, hoping that the balance still lacking of the $50,000 will be raised in the near future.

The importance of bringing this institution up to full efficiency now, is emphasized by the inauguration of a new and vigorous immigration-policy on the part of the Canadian Government, in order to fill the vacant lands of the prairies with settlers. Many more Lutherans will come, and The United Lutheran Church can fulfill its missionary obligation toward these people only through missionaries trained in our College at Saskatoon.

C—Junior Colleges.

MOUNT PLEASANT COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE, MOUNT PLEASANT, N. C.
Founded 1854.

Prof. G. F. McAllister, A. M., *Principal.*

Sessions 1920-21 and 1921-22 have been marked by full enrollments, faithful work, and creditable accomplishments. The enrollment for each session was 165, all that could be accommodated in the Institute dormitories. Six states represented both sessions. The number graduated in 1921 was 21; and in 1922, 24, the largest classes ever graduated in the entire history of the institution. The income from all sources for 1920-1921 was $24,310 and for 1921-1922, so far collected, $22,536.

There were two outstanding events of interest during the biennium at the Institute. The first was a Memorial Exercise and Unveiling of Portrait of Rev. G. D. Bernheim, D.D., former President of North Carolina College (now the Collegiate Institute) and for 67 years a Gospel Minister. On this occasion, November 3, 1920, there were among those present three generations of Doctor Bernheim's descendants. The occasion was a notable one and it is planned to publish in pamphlet form the program and addresses delivered.

The second event of importance was the program rendered in connection with the Day of Prayer for our Christian Educational Institutions, in the

spring of this year. Timely subjects were discussed by members of the faculty and near-by ministers. A strong influence was set in motion and wholesome results are expected.

The material equipment of the Institute plant has been enhanced very much within the biennium. A splendid property close to the campus was purchased by the Board in 1921 and the large dwelling house on it was remodeled for use as a dormitory. It accommodates twenty students and a teacher, and thus relieves, to some extent, the pressing need for more dormitories.

An architect has drawn a plan for extensive enlargement and improvement of the plant. Of the additional buildings needed and contemplated, projects one and two recommended by the Executive Committee have been approved and ordered carried out by the Board of Trustees. The Gerhardt Society Hall has been completely remodeled, and is now a splendid, modernized building, which adds much to the attractiveness and utility of the plant. Committee also hopes to be able to let the contract this summer for the erection of a splendid new dormitory to accommodate fifty students, besides affording four class rooms and a gymnasium. This is project two.

The widow and daughters of the late Charles H. Fisher, a long time friend and supporter of the Institute, endowed a memorial scholarship to be awarded to a worthy young man who has the ministry in view.

The work of the Institute is coming into increasing favor as a result of the exceptional records made by graduates and ex-students at higher institutions. Exceptional honors were won at Roanoke, Newberry and Wittenberg the past session.

The outlook for a larger Institution is now hopeful.

The prospect for a full enrollment next session is encouraging. Already nearly all of the dormitory space is engaged.

WEIDNER INSTITUTE, MULBERRY, INDIANA.

Founded 1920.

Rev. H. Grady Davis, *President.*

Attendance in the Junior College department has increased practically 100 per cent. this year. The courses of study have been slightly revised so as to eliminate all subjects not belonging distinctly to the Freshmen and Sophomore years, and to strengthen the work done in these. Our students are regularly entering the Junior class of Indiana and other standard universities and colleges with full credit. In the Academy, which must compete with the developing High School system of Indiana, a smaller increase is noted.

About one-half of the student body, both boys and girls, have this year expressed their willingness to keep their hearts open for the call to some form of active service for Christ and the Church. This is a proof of the spirit of the school. There are scores of others in the State of Indiana. The "Father and Son" banquet movement in connection with the Brother-

hoods and colleges, which originated in the Board of Trustees of Weidner Institute over a year ago, has been successfully carried on again this year. It has also been taken up by other schools and bodies, and is proving a great opportunity to recruit for the ministry. These young people will fill the ranks of our active service if properly kept in touch with.

Weidner Institute has acquired this year a president, a girls' dormitory, which houses in comfort and modern convenience our young women students, furniture and equipment to the value of $1,000, a 3,500 volume addition to its library, and a library and stack room to adequately house its library.

Because of arrears in payment of the Board of Education's appropriation, the synodical apportionments and the pledges due the Wittenberg-Weidner campaign, the school year was closed with a deficit. This can be overcome with the payment of these appropriations.

D—Institutions for Women.

MONT AMOENA SEMINARY, MT. PLEASANT, N. C.

Founded 1859.

Rev. Prof. J. H. C. Fisher, *Principal.*

This historic school is gradually getting out of debt, not as fast as we would wish, but nevertheless fast enough to give hope and courage. We commenced in the new building with a debt of $17,023, today the debt is $6,785, having been reduced $10,338. Since Professor Fisher's connection with the school nothing, at any time, has been added to the debt for running expenses. If they can make anything like full collections and could have gotten the $2,000 from the Board of Education, they would have come out fairly well, but if they receive only $800, from the Board, it will be necessary to run at somewhat of a sacrifice.

Our enrollment for session 1921-1922 is eighty-nine; sixty-nine of these are in the college classes.

MARION JUNIOR COLLEGE, MARION, VIRGINIA.

Founded 1873.

Rev. C. Brown Cox, A. M., *President.*

Marion College rejoices to be able to report a successful biennium. There have been substantial advancements along all lines. Much has been accomplished, and the way has been prepared for still greater things.

During the biennium the three Synods covering the State of Virginia and the eastern half of the State of Tennessee have been merged into one Synod, and this Synod has accepted and adopted Marion College as its Junior College for girls. Marion College is now the only Lutheran School for girls in the territory of this new Synod. This gives to the college a very greatly increased constituency. There is a growing appreciation of the worth of the college to the Church, and the sponsorship of the new

Synod will, after a few years, result in a greatly increased patronage of the college.

For several years the college has had as many students as can be accommodated in its dormitories, the enrollment for the year 1920-21 being 170 and for the year 1921-22 being 161. In view of the enlarged constituency of the college, and of the increasing number of applications for entrance, the Board of Trustees decided to erect new dormitories with additional class-rooms and laboratories. The new buildings are now in course of construction and it is hoped that they will be ready for occupancy when school opens in September, 1922. The new buildings will provide accommodations for fifty additional girls and will give all the additional class-room and laboratory space which is needed.

For a number of years the college has been adding to its standard gradually. The greatest problem which the college confronts at present is that of securing and keeping a faculty of the proper college standard. This is purely a financial problem. As the teachers develop they are able to command larger salaries elsewhere. The college hopes that within the next year it will be able to increase its salary scale to the extent that it will be able to hold desirable teachers.

In conformity with the action of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Board of Trustees has provided for the amendment of the charter of the college so that the members of the Board of Trustees will be nominated by the Board itself and elected by the United Lutheran Synod of Virginia. The present authorities of the college sincerely doubt the wisdom of this action, but it has been taken for the purpose of conforming to the requirements of the United Lutheran Church in America.

During the biennium the college has bought additional land adjoining its present site and it is the purpose as soon as possible to erect on this land a home for the president of the college.

Following the events which resulted in the acceptance and adoption of the college by the United Lutheran Synod of Virginia as its Junior College for Girls, there has been considerable discussion with reference to making the college a standard four year college. The present authorities of the college are opposed to this idea. They believe that the Junior college is particularly adapted to do a very definite and specific work for the Church and they will resist any effort to make the college anything else than a standard Junior college. The standardizing authorities of the State of Virginia and the several College Associations of the country advocate that the Junior college shall use the word "junior" in connection with its name. For this season, the college now writes its name Marion Junior College, and it is probable that in the amendment of the charter, the legal name will be changed from Marion Female College to Marion Junior College.

For a number of years the authorities and friends of the college have had under consideration the idea of making the college a training school

for church workers. So far as this idea as developed, it does not involve the discontinuance of any of the work which the college is now doing. But it is the purpose and plan to add to the present courses of study such additional courses as will give special preparation for church work and to provide such additional members of the faculty as will be necessary to do this additional work in the most efficient way. This thought is introduced into this report for the purpose of bringing it definitely before the United Lutheran Church in America, in orer that all who are interested in the idea may have have opportunity to express their views and tender their co-operation. The college has served the church faithfully and efficiently. It now desires to serve the Church in a larger and more specific way, and for this reason is considering the idea of introducing courses of study and a properly equipped faculty to prepare young women for all forms of church service.

ELIZABETH COLLEGE, SALEM, VIRGINIA.

Founded 1897.

Rev. Paul Sieg, A.M., *Acting President.*

The report for Elizabeth College has a special and sad significance as it must include the record of the destruction of its beautiful property and the discontinuance of its work with the conclusion of the scholastic year 1921-1922. In this connection it is proper that there be given a summary of the highly useful service to the Church of this splendid Lutheran College for women. The chief facts in its origin and development are as follows:

"Elizabeth College was founded at Charlotte, N. C., in the year 1897. The founder, Charles B. King, D.D., desired primarily to provide facilities for a broad and liberal education for the young women of the Lutheran Church in the South. Being among the first institutions in that section for the higher education of women, the college at once attracted wide attention and for eighteen years rendered valuable services in that field. During this period the institution was repeatedly tendered to the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the South, but as often declined because of the lack of means with which to meet the conditions of the transfer and with which to conduct it.

In the spring of 1915, because of failing health, Dr. King tendered the good will and equipment and name of the institution to Roanoke Women's College, Salem, Virginia, on condition that the latter should change its name to Elizabeth College and that the merged institution should be tendered to the United Synod South at its next meeting. These conditions were accepted and the two institutions were merged that same year. The United Synod, however, declined the proffer of the trustees of the college.

Roanoke Woman's College was founded by the two Lutheran Synods in Virginia. A joint commission composed of representatives from the two Synods in Virginia was constituted. This commission advertised for a

site for the school and as a result received offers from Marion, Radford, Christiansburg and Salem. After visiting the various sites proposed, meetings were held October 12 and 13 at Salem, Virginia, at which time it was decided to recommend to a joint meeting of the Synods the acceptance of the offer made by the town of Salem. At a joint session of these two bodies held in Salem, November 10, 1910, the recommendation was adopted and a Board of Trustees for the new institution was selected.

The Rev. John C. Peery, the first President of the Institution, secured from the State Board of Education conditional rating as an "A" college in 1915. Each year thereafter saw some progress made toward meeting the conditions. After the resignation of President Peery, through the efforts of the General Secretary, Rev. J. William McCauley, the Maryland Synod and the Synod of West Virginia were induced to unite with the two Synods in Virginia in the ownership and control of the college, and the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America made a very substantial appropriation annually toward its maintenance.

With the destruction of the main building, together with almost the entire equipment of the college, December 22, 1921, the death knell was sounded. Through the generous offers of Roanoke College and the management of the Salem High School the work of the session was completed. The two Synods of Virginia, at a joint meeting held in Roanoke, March 16 and 17, ordered the discontinuance of the college at the close of the session. The other Synods concurred in this decision at their meetings in May. The Board of Trustees at their annual meeting, June 6th, regretfully bowed to the decision and authorized the Executive Committee to close up the affairs of the institution and to prepare recommendations concerning the disposition of the assets for the consideration at a future meeting.

The contribution of Elizabeth College to the educational work of the Lutheran Church has been by no means insignificant. During the eighteen years of her existence at Charlotte, she sent forth well nigh 200 graduates and 1,000 ex-students, a large per cent. of whom were Lutherans. In the ten years of her existence as Roanoke Woman's College and as Elizabeth College at Salem, 119 have been graduated and fully 500 have been enrolled. Of the 119 graduates, 78 or more than 65 per cent were Lutherans. Fully 50 per cent of the students who entered her class rooms were Lutherans, 75 of her graduates have taught or will teach.

Both faculty and students have always been most generous, not only to all campus projects but also to world needs. The last gift made before the fire were for the needy students of Europe and for the Union Christian Colleges for women in the Orient.

Discontinued at the height of her usefulness, her end is truly tragical! Though her physical plant is no more and though she no longer functions as an educational institution, her influence still lives and will continue to

live in the lives of those whom she has sent out and in the lives of those whom they shall influence.

During the last year there were enrolled 110 students, forty-nine of whom were in the Collegiate Department and of whom fifty-three were Lutheran young women. There were twelve graduates from the Collegiate Department and ten of these were Lutherans. Of the forty-nine Collegiate students thirty-four were Lutherans.

In view of the discontinuance of the School in June the Board of Education paid its appropriation for the biennium in full. With this aid and by the liquidation of other available assets the authorities have paid off all obligations except a mortgage of $9,000, upon the land. This property consists of over 77 acres, finely located between Salem and Roanoke, and is valued at $30,000.

Summerland College, Leesville, S. C.

Founded 1912.

Rev. P. E. Monroe, D.D., *President.*

On May 30, 1922, Summerland College ended her tenth year. The past biennium has been a period of growth in the excellent work done, and in material equipment.

For the two years our average attendance has been one hundred eleven. About seventy-five per cent. of the students are members of the Lutheran Church. Every student in the dormitory was a member of the Bible study and mission study classes.

During the past year there has been erected a new brick and stone dormitory which will accommodate one hundred ten students. This building is modern in its equipment and cost $70,000. There is a debt on it of $21,844. This we hope to have removed in large part by January, 1923.

The other buildings were repaired and painted last summer. It is the plan to remodel the first building, which has been used largely for dormitory purposes, and make it the main administration building.

Summerland College appreciates the aid given her by the Board of Education and hopes to merit an increased appropriation very much needed for the next biennium.

Recommendations.

The Board would submit the following for your favorable action:

Resolved: That we acknowledge with profound gratitude the guidance and blessing of the great Head of the Church bestowed upon the educational department of our work, especially as manifested in the greatly increased attendance in all our schools, and that we herewith call upon all the friends of Christian education to consecrate themselves anew to this cause of supreme importance in carrying out the world plan of our Lord in bringing to pass the coming of His Kingdom.

Resolved: That the hearty gratitude of the Church is herewith expressed

for those kind donors who have made gifts to the work of the Board during the past biennium and we particularly commend the plan for the upbuilding of a scholarship fund for young women, the nucleus of which has already been given.

Resolved: That we herewith commend the Board for its publications in behalf of Christian education which it has circulated for the benefit of the Church, and would especially commend the Lutheran Student Bulletin, the Service and Teachers' Bureau Bulletin and the Brotherhood programs, provided by the Board for these several constituencies.

Resolved: That the convention has learned with hearty approval of the initiative already taken by a number of the eastern Synods, with the co-operation of the Board of Education, looking toward the establishment of a standard college for women upon their territory, especially in view of the deplorable loss in the destruction of Elizabeth College by fire during the past biennium, and that the Church herewith expresses the hope that the plans for the proposed women's college be successfully consummated during the coming biennium.

Resolved: That we herewith approve of the several steps reported as taken in conference with other general bodies of Lutherans in the Northwest and on the Pacific Coast, looking toward plans for co-operation in college work in those territories and that we hereby give full authority to the Board of Education, subject to the concurrence of the Executive Board, to initiate or participate in any wise and feasible plans for such co-operation which may become available during the next biennium.

Resolved: That the serious attention of the Church is herewith directed to the minimum standards, as set forth in this report, which are more and more being recognized by all educational authorities as fair and necessary for a standard Church college, and that the Church realize all this signifies for the future educational problems of our institutions and thus be prepared for more generous and sympathetic co-operation with the authorities of our schools in carrying out their plans for necessary improvements and expansion, both in curricula and equipment.

Resolved: That since the efforts of the Northwestern Mission Board, the Board of Education and the Board of Trustees of Saskatoon College and Seminary have resulted in securing in cash and pledges only about one half of the amount of $50,000, which the Church at the Washington Convention authorized to be raised by special appeal for this institution.—

We Recommend: That the appeal for funds be continued until the sum of $50,000 is secured.

Resolved: That we have heard with sympathetic interest the report of the Board, through its several departments, and hereby express our approval of its manifold efforts in carrying out the important work committed to its hands and gratefully acknowledge the valued co-operation of the Women's Missionary Society and the Augustana Synod and other co-operating agencies in making possible the helpful and extensive results of the Board's operations.

Respectfully submitted,

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA,

ALONZO J. TURKLE, *President,*
HOWARD R. GOLD, *Recording Secretary,*
FREDERICK G. GOTWALD, *Executive Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDED JULY 31, 1922

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Receipts.

	General Fund	Saskatoon College Building Fund	California College Fund
United Church	$98,088.00	$3,776.39	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	3,198.60	446.16	.....
Women's Missionary Society	1,874.28	.....	.....
Donations	78.00	590.01	.....
Lutheran Coöperative Committee	450.00	.....	.....
Lutheran Women's League, New York	100.00	.....	.....
Washington Convention offering	46.76	.....	.....
Interest on Mortgage	375.00	.....	.....
Bank Interest	137.54	.....	.....
Miscellaneous Receipts	25.44	.....	$60.00
	$104,373.62	$4,812.56	$60.00

Disbursements.

Seminaries and Colleges, per budgets	$62,783.09	.....	.....
Seminaries and Colleges, specials	6,031.94	.....	.....
Salaries of Students' Pastors	9,599.47	.....	.....
Salaries of Secretaries	9,299.91	.....	.....
Expenses of Students' Pastors	3,598.50	.....	.....
Traveling Expenses of Secretaries	3,383.84	.....	.....
Expenses of Board and Executive Meetings	1,426.75	.....	.....
Printing	3,820.56	$411.85	.....
Annuities	747.50	.....	.....
Office Expenses	3,197.85	.....	.....
Northwestern Mission Board	.....	2,500.00	.....
General Expenses	2,260.23	.....	.....
	$106,149.64	$2,911.85	.....
Excess or *Deficit* of Receipts	*$1,776.02*	$1,900.71	$60.00

Reconcilement of Cash.

Balance, August 1, 1920	$ 4,000.52	
Add, Receipts, as above	109,246.18	
	$113,246.70	
Deduct, Disbursements, as above	109,061.49	
Balance, July 31, 1921		$4,185.21
Cash on Deposit	$4,017.71	
Saskatoon College Bonds	167.50	
		$4,185.21

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the Year ended 31st July 1922.

	General Fund	Saskatoon Seminary and College Building Fund	Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women
Receipts.			
United Church	$93,136.80	$14,339.33	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	2,240.50	162.40	.....
Women's Missionary Society	2,860.70	80.00	.....
Donations	20.82	.....	$1,220.00
Lutheran Women's League, New York	50.00	.....	.....
Interest on Mortgage	750.00	.....	60.00
Bank Interest	141.37	.....	.....
Miscellaneous Receipts	535.00	68.12	.....
Canada Synod, for Kropp Seminary	547.50	.....	.....
	$100,282.69	$14,649.85	$1,280.00
Cash Received	$115,212.54		
Securities Received	1,000.00		
Total Receipts	$116,212.54		
Disbursements.			
Seminaries and Colleges, per budget	$54,756.48	.....	.....
Seminaries and Colleges, specials	6,072.99	.....	.....
Salaries of Students' Pastors	5,380.38	.....	.....
Salaries of Secretaries	13,720.45	.....	.....
Salaries of Stenographers	2,288.50	.....	.....
Expenses of Students' Pastors	2,325.46	.....	.....
Traveling Expenses of Secretaries	4,766.63	.....	.....
Expenses of Board and Executive Meetings	1,399.98	.....	.....
Printing	3,996.92	.....	.....
Annuities	1,185.00	.....	.....
Office Rental	627.00	.....	.....
Postage	363.52	.....	.....
Telephone and Telegraph	146.26	.....	.....
Office Supplies, etc.	484.23	.....	.....
Northwestern Mission Board	.....	$14,312.09	.....
General Expenses	1,192.97	.....	.....
	$98,706.77	$14.312.09	.....
Excess of Receipts	$1,575.92	$337.76	$1,280.00

Reconcilement of Cash and Securities

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

Balance, August 1, 1921		$ 4,185.21
Add, Receipts, as above		116,212.54
		$120,397.75
Deduct, Disbursements, as above		113,018.86
Balance, July 31, 1922		$7,378.89
Cash on Deposit	$6,378.89	
Bond	1,000.00	
		$7,378.89

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash in bank		$6,378.89
Investments:		
Mortgage on property at Ocean City, N. J.	$12,500.00	
Bond, City of Mandon, N. D., 6 pct	1,000.00	
		13,500.00
		$19,878.89

FUNDS.

Saskatoon College Building Fund	$2,238.47	
Annuity Fund	12,500.00	
Scholarship and Loan Fund for Women	1,280.00	
California College Fund	60.00	
General Fund	3,800.42	
		$19,878.89

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. SNYDER,
Treasurer.

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Education for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing

Balance Sheet,
Receipts and Disbursements,
Etc.,

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

The Rev. F. G. Gotwald, Executive Secretary, called attention to various items of the report.

At this point the Acting President announced to the Convention that the President of the United Lutheran Church, the Rev. F. H. Knubel, had arrived. Dr. Knubel came to the platform and the Convention greeted the President by rising. President Knubel expressed his regrets at not having been able to be present throughout the Convention and his great happiness to be permitted at this time to have part in the proceedings. The Acting President responded assuring the President of the joy of the Convention upon his recovery and upon his being able to participate in the work of the Convention. At the suggestion of President Knubel, Dr. Burgess was requested to continue to act as President as long as might be necessary.

In connection with the presentation of the Report of the Board of Education the other speakers were Rev. Chas. S. Bauslin, Secretary of the Department of Institutions, Miss Mary E. Markley, Secretary of the Department of Women Students, the Rev. Carolus P. Harry, Secretary of the Department of Religious Work in State Universities and the Rev. H. W. Harms, President of Saskatoon College and Seminary.

The first recommendation was adopted by a rising vote.

The second recommendation was deferred until the report of the Budget Committee, and was in the meantime referred to the Executive Board. [The recommendation was ordered stricken Wednesday, October 25, afternoon session, the third thereby becoming second, etc. Secretary.]

The second, third and fourth recommendations were adopted.

Fifth recommendation. A motion prevailed to amend the resolution by inserting in it before the word "participate" the words "initiate or." The recommendation was adopted as amended.

Sixth recommendation adopted.

On motion the recommendation under the seventh resolution was referred with approval to the Board of Education.

Eighth recommendation was adopted. Dr. Turkle moved that the policy of the Board in reference to the matter of location as presented in this report be approved. The motion was carried.

Action upon the report was suspended until the Report of the Budget Committee.

(For Supplementary Report see Minutes Wednesday afternoon, October 25th.)

The Rev. W. L. Hunton, Secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, presented the report of that Board. Dr. C. P. Wiles, President of the Board, also addressed the Convention.

REPORT OF THE PARISH AND CHURCH-SCHOOL BOARD

The Parish and Church-School Board has met semi-annually since the last meeting of the United Lutheran Church, the meetings being held as follows: December 8, 1920, May 4 and 5, 1921, December 7, 1921 and May 3, 1922.

At the first meeting the Board was reorganized with the following officers:

President, Rev. Charles P. Wiles, D.D.
Vice-President, Rev. S. W. Herman, D.D.
Secretary, Rev. William L. Huńton, D.D.
Treasurer, H. M. M. Richards, Litt.D.

The Charter.

According to instruction, the Parish and Church-School Board proceeded to secure a Charter, which Charter was granted by the court in Philadelphia under Judge Staake, bearing the date of October 14, 1921.

The Sphere and Work of the Board.

According to the Charter approved by the United Lutheran Church and authorized October 14, 1921, the policies of this Board are stated thus:

"The object of the Parish and Church School Board shall be to develop and execute a system or systems of literature for use in the home; the parish and Church schools; to organize schools for week-day Christian Training; to plan methods of school administration; to recommend books for the library; to outline programs for Summer Assemblies, Sunday School Conventions and Normals, and all Festival occasions of the Church; to prepare Hymnals; to have oversight over and control of whatever pertains to the best interests of the Parish and Church schools."

It will be seen by this statement of policies that the Church has charged the Parish and Church-School Board with the responsibility of providing all courses of instruction and supervising all educational work within the congregations. Because of this responsibility, for example, the Board has been called into conference with representatives of the Women's Missionary Society and the Luther League to aid them in outlining missionary and young people's instruction and has a co-operative committee to assist in the educational work of these organizations.

Thus it will be seen that an important phase of the work of this Board is to unify, systematize, and insure the comprehensive character of all our congregational educational plans and methods.

The Development of the Work.

During the biennium the work in the production of our Sunday School Literature has been developed according to the plans and program approved at the last Convention of the United Lutheran Church. This involved the consolidation of the two courses of literature, the changes being effected at Advent, 1921, for the Graded Lessons and January, 1922, for the Uniform Lessons. The official literature of the Church is therefore now as follows:

In Mother's Arms .....Eleven Booklets (Cradle Roll)

Primary.

Wonderland .....(Teacher's Quarterly) } 4 and 5 years
Sunbeams .. ..(Scholar's Weekly) }

Workland	(Teacher's Quarterly)	6 and 7 years
Sunshine	(Scholar's Weekly)	
Pictureland	(Teacher's Quarterly)	8 and 9 years
Sunrays	(Scholar's Weekly Picture Card)	
Picture Charts	(Department Lesson Chart)	
Pictureland Weekly	(Scholar's Weekly)	

Intermediate Department.

(Parallel Courses)

The Graded Course	The Uniform Courses
Bible Story 10 years Bible Readings 11 years Bible History 12 years	The Junior Lesson Book 10-12 years
Bible Facts and Scenes 13 years Bible Biography 14 years Bible Teachings 15 years Bible Outlines 16 years	The Intermediate Lesson Book 13-16 years

Young People's Department.

The Senior Lesson Book
17-20 years

The Adult Department.

The Adult Bible Class Lesson Book
21 years and above
The Home Department Lesson Book

Teacher's Helps.

The Augsburg Teacher (Monthly)
The Lutheran Lesson Commentary (Annual Bound Volume)

REVISION OF THE GRADED SYSTEM.

The Graded System, which is continued in its entirely, is being gradually examined with a view to improvement. The "Wonderland" graded has been thoroughly revised during the past biennium. It is the intention of the editors in consultation with experienced teachers in the various grades to continue this revision, a grade at a time until all have been gone over and improved wherever possible. This work, however, is to be done gradually and in such a way as not to interfere with the present use of the system

and to insure the widest use possible of the literature as it is furnished in its revised form.

Uniform Lessons.

In the development of this literature quite a few changes have been made in the Uniform Lessons, notably among which is the use of the Authorized Version of the Scripture in all literature which goes into the hands of the pupil. The American Revised Version is made available in all helps for teachers. The text of the Catechism has been made to conform to the Common Service Book. Other changes for a clearer and more comprehensive presentation of the lessons are contemplated with the beginning of the new year.

The Lesson Commentary.

"The Lesson Commentary" is an especially arranged volume for teachers and Bible students, treating our "Uniform Lessons." The favorable reception which this "Commentary" was given in its first year has warranted putting special effort into the preparation of the "Commentary" for 1923, which the Publication Board is encouraged to publish in a much larger edition. It is aimed to make this such a valuable and helpful "Commentary" as to insure its permanent place in the libraries of all Sunday School teachers and pastors.

Our Sunday School Periodicals.

The various periodicals for our Sunday Schools have all flourished during the biennium. "Lutheran Young Folks" in particular has enjoyed a rapid growth in circulation and is securing a strong hold upon our people irrespective of whether they are in the schools of the Church or not. While essentially a young people's paper, its aim is to have something definite concerning the Church in every issue and to be of value to every part of every Lutheran family in the Church.

For our children under the auspices of the Board we also publish "The Pictureland Weekly," which reaches the children of the "Pictureland" grade; "Sunshine," which is intended for the children of "Workland" grade; and "Sunbeams" which is intended for the smallest children of the school, or the "Wonderland" grade. All of these papers furnish a lesson treatment in addition to proper wholesome stories, a large percentage of which are always missionary. The increase in circulation indicates their value to the schools and the children. For those who have not yet introduced the Graded System, which is the official System for all our Primary Schools, there is still continued the paper known as "Little Ones," which furnishes a treatment of the Uniform Lessons and stories for the little folks.

German Sunday School Literature.

The German Sunday School Literature as provided is a serious problem. It is the desire of the Board to furnish this literature for the use of the schools where the German language is still needed as a medium of instruc-

tion. But if it is to be continued there should be a more general support given. "Lektionsblaetter" is now a translation of the "Senior Lesson Book" and could be used with satisfaction throughout the entire school, or in connection with "Bible History" or other grade books. Our Sunday School Literature which we publish in the German language includes: "Sonnenstrahlen," a small picture card corresponding to "Sunrays" of the Graded Series. Also the large "Wandbilder" or picture chart. As grade books for use in German Schools there are also published "Erstes Lesebuch," "Biblische Erzaehlungen," which corresponds to "Bible Story," and "Biblisches Spruch und Lesebuch," a lesson book, corresponding to "Bible Readings." There is also issued a Sunday School Book, called, "Sonntagschulbuch" both with and without music. Teachers in these schools will find it to be of great advantage to them to use "The Lesson Commentary" in connection with "Lektionsblaetter."

Literature for Slav Sunday Schools.

During the Biennium there has been an interest manifested in providing literature for children in the Slav language. With this in view, "Bible Story" of the Lutheran Graded Series has been translated into Slovak and will appear this fall in a bi-lingual edition.

Through the efforts of Rev. Dr. Ramer, there is also in preparation a series of picture cards with Bible history questions, which are a translation of "Sunrays" in the "Pictureland" grade. Thus another language is added to the tongues in which we are able to provide instruction for our children.

Training Courses.

Our Teacher Training Courses are gradually assuming final form. They are especially developed to insure an appropriate and continued course of training for the development of efficient teachers. The aim is to provide courses which will not only give diplomas, but will equip our teachers for better service. All examinations are conducted from the office and diplomas are issued in the name of the Board and the Editors. We urge the value of a Teacher Training Course in every school in the Church.

The Parish and Church School.

An important advance in the literature provided for our schools and religious educational interests was the establishment of a new magazine of principles and methods in the field of Christian education bearing the title of "The Parish and Church School." The first issue of this magazine appeared October, 1921.

Certificates.

A certificate as "a record of honor" for those schools which have attained the Lutheran standard of efficiency as established by our Parish and Church School Board has been prepared. There have also been prepared proper certificates for organized young people classes and for organized adult Bible classes. These have been properly approved and are already extensively used.

The Sunday School Standard.

With a view to developing our schools to the highest possible degree of efficiency a Sunday School standard has been prepared and has met with the approval not only of the Parish and Church School Board, but the Executive Board of the Church. It is herewith submitted for the approval of the United Lutheran Church:

The Lutheran Sunday School Standard.

1. Open the entire year.
2. Lutheran literature used in all departments.
3. Regular teachers' and business meetings.
4. Enrolled Teacher Training Class.
5. The Bible used in class work in all departments above the Primary.
6. The school graded in organization and instruction from the Cradle Roll to the Home Department.
7. Catechetical instruction.
8. An average attendance for the year of 60 per cent. of the enrollment with emphasis on regular church attendance.
9. Regular missionary instruction and offerings for benevolence.
10. Observance of principal festivals of the Church Year.

Hymnals.

To meet a widespread and partially expressed desire, the Board has a Special Committee charged with the responsibility of examining existing Hymnals and preparing proper official Hymnals for use in our religious educational work. The committee has in mind the ultimate preparation of three Hymnals. A Sunday School Service Book, a Primary Hymnal and a general or semi-popular book or collection of hymns. The latter is that which it is anticipated will be the first to be prepared. We are not able as yet to announce the time of its publication.

Libraries.

A library, especially a workers' library, is desirable for all schools and parishes. Recognizing that this is a special sphere in which the Parish and Church School Board should direct, a Special Committee of the Board has had the matter in hand and is compiling a classified list of books. It is aimed ultimately to have a complete and adequate workers' library, which will include books on the history, doctrine and practices of our Church, as well as general Biblical literature and books on the school, pedagogics and methods of Church work. Supplementary to this literature where needed, lists of recognized books of fiction and general literature will be provided.

Courses of Study for Week-Day Schools.

Religious education, through the discontinuance of the Parochial Schools and the failure to establish religious week-day schools and the inadequacy of the modern Sunday School has long been neglected. The result is that

a great percentage of our American people are utterly deficient in religious knowledge. This condition has become so general as to be alarming. Educators and statesmen have both realized the situation. The Church has awakened to her responsibility, with the result that there is a very general interest and great activity manifested in the establishment and the development of the week-day schools for religious instruction. The Parish and Church School Board has given much time and serious consideration to the subject. It has outlined and recommended courses and approved existing literature for such schools. It has also prepared a Manual which discusses the principles, gives samples of courses that are in use in existing schools and presents recommended programs, together with a complete outline of subjects and suitable books.

There has also been prepared a syllabus of special week-day religious literature which is to include proper text books.

The Vacation Bible School, which has been the development of recent years, has become quite general and is proving very popular. With some the vacation recreation features are somewhat over-emphasized, but in our own Lutheran schools the essentials of week-day schools are carried into the vacation school. While the recreation features are not excluded, the religious content of the course is the central phase of the work. We would recommend that the religious week-day school and vacation school be heartily endorsed and recommended to all of our churches.

Sunday School Work in Europe.

The religious interests, as well as all other interests in Europe have been in the most unsettled condition. In connection with the religious work which our Church has been doing on the Continent, attention has been called to the possibility of aiding and providing for the religious instruction of the children. With this in view the Parish and Church School Board has had correspondence with Dr. Morehead, who promised to study the field and report. The Board has also commissioned the Rev. J. F. Krueger, Ph.D., to gather and furnish information to the Board. Our desire is if possible to establish some points of contact by which we can develop co-operation in religious instruction with our European Churches which might prove mutually helpful.

Organization of the Work.

(a) It is imperative that the Parish and Church School Board should develop Lutheran Synodical and Conference Associations.

(b) In local fields, through the conferences and organizations of Synods, provision should be made for Lutheran Sunday School institutes, conventions and training schools. All pastors and teachers should carefully guard against the introduction into our work of teachings and practices at variance with our Lutheran principles.

(c) Our congregations are urged to establish week-day schools for religious instruction. In the establishment of these schools, while co-opera-

tion with others in making arrangements may be desirable, the Lutheran Church must insist upon the actual instruction of her own children.

(d) We further urge upon communities the establishment of local training schools for teachers and workers and direct attention to the recommended curriculum authorized by this Board.

NOMINATIONS.

The terms of the following members of the Board expire with this Convention: Rev. C. P. Wiles, D.D.; Rev. W. Hoppe, D.D., and W. C. Stoever, Litt.D. The Board nominates these men to succeed themselves, each having served but one term. The Rev. J. E. Whitteker, D.D., LL.D., whose term would have expired at this Convention, on account of his removal to Chicago and hie duties there has resigned as a member of the Board. The Rev. Frank M. Urich, of Philadelphia, is nominated to succeed Dr. Whitteker.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that:

1. The Sunday School standard be approved.
2. The plan of furnishing three hymnals for our church schools be approved and the work hastened.
3. The plan for reference, workers' and general libraries be approved and that congregations be urged to provide such libraries as rapidly as they are authorized.
4. Our congregations establish week-day schools for religious instruction.
5. (a) The new manual for week-day religious instruction be recommended as a guide in planning week-day and vacation religious schools.

(b) The Parish and Church School Board be instructed to prepare an authorized course of text books for such schools as soon as possible.

6. The plan to gather information concerning religious educational work in Europe is indorsed and the Board is urged in every way possible to further the standardization and uniformity of our Lutheran Parish Schools through correspondence and co-operation with educators and authorities in other countries.
7. The organization of our Sunday Schools in the various States and provinces by the Synods and Conferences and that the Parish and Church School Board be authorized to promote such organizations, making provision for local Sunday School institutes, conventions and training schools.

C. P. WILES, *President.*
W. L. HUNTON, *Secretary.*

The Sunday School Standard was approved. Recommendation 1 approved. Recommendation 2 referred to the Common Service Book Committee. Recommendations 3 and 4 approved.

Recommendation 5, a and b, adopted. Recommendations 6 and 7 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel moved that the election of a President and Secretary be held from twelve to two today and that special tellers be appointed. The motion was carried.

The Chair appointed as a Special Committee to conduct the election:

Mr. C. H. Boyer
George E. Neff, Esq.
Mr. G. E. Schlegelmilch
Mr. F. Stussy
Mr. G. F. Greiner

The Rev. C. P. Harry presented the Report of the Committee on Work Among Boys.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORK AMONG BOYS

Meetings.

Two meetings of the Committee were held during the Biennium, both of them in the Parish House of the Church of the Holy Communion, Philadelphia, Pa., the first on June 21, 1921, and the second November 8, 1921.

Organization.

The committee organized by the election of the Rev. C. P. Harry, Chairman, and the Rev. G. H. Bechtold, Secretary and Treasurer.

Proceedings.

1. The Washington meeting of the United Lutheran Church failed to endorse the plans and policies of the Work Among Boys' Committee of the previous Biennium. It did not define what the field or function of the Work Among Boys' Committee was intended to be. The convener waited until June, 1921, to convene the committee in the hope that the Executive Board might define the field and indicate the pleasure of the United Lutheran Church. After correspondence with the Secretary, Dr. Scherer, we learned that the Executive Board had not been charged with the duty of defining the field of the Work Among Boys' Committee.

At the meeting of the committee, June 21, 1921, after canvassing the opinion of the members as to the functions of the committee, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The Committee on Work Among Boys has received a large number of communications from Pastors and Laymen in all parts of the Church, requesting information and assistance in the organizing of boys in

the congregation, securing and training of leaders and the provision of suitable literature, and

WHEREAS, In the judgment of your committee, the time has arrived for the United Lutheran Church to formulate a definite policy for work with its boys, and

WHEREAS, The Executive Board has never given any authority to this committee to establish or inaugurate such work and never clearly defined its field of labor. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we respectfully request the Executive Board to point out what it wishes us to do.

On motion, the Chairman, Secretary and Dr. Stanley Billheimer were requested to present this matter personally to the President and Secretary of the United Lutheran Church.

The sub-committee appointed waited upon the President and Secretary of the United Lutheran Church. Subsequently the Executive Board of the United Church defined the duties of the Committee of Work Among Boys as follows:

a. That it shall be the duty of this committee to inform itself about books and other literature suitable for boys to read and for the guidance of parents and others in the rearing of boys, to encourage the preparation of such literature, and to give publicity to the same.
b. That it shall also be the duty of this committee to study the various organizations for boys, their principles and aims; also to ascertain the value of the different organizations as developed in connection with congregations, and to advise those seeking information in regard to such organizations.
c. That this committee shall suggest to other agencies activities desirable for the welfare of boys.
d. That this committee shall have authority to develop through Synods boys' conferences and summer camps.

2. The following program for the guidance of Synodical Boys' Work Committees was adopted at the June meeting, 1921.

1. Each member of the Synodical Committee to become expert in work with boys by reading and practical work with them.
2. To assist Pastors or others in the Synod to develop interest and technique in work with boys.
3. To hold conferences of the leaders and teachers of boys in the Synod.
4. To hold conferences of the boys of the Synod.
5. To conduct summer camps.
6. To investigate the problem of delinquency in S. S. and also in the courts.
7. To investigate the effect of the teaching and methods of the public schools on the boys' spiritual life.
8. To investigate the effect of the community standards and especially of the opportunities of recreation and amusement in the community on the boys' faith and life.

9. To investigate the effect of employment and of different lines of trade or profession on the boys' faith and life.

10. To report results to the U. L. C. Committee.

3. The second meeting of the committee was held November 8 1921, and on motion it was *Resolved*, That in harmony with the plan of work defined by the Executive Board, the Secretary be requested to communicate with leading publishers of books for and about boys and ask that their publications be sent to the Sectional Chairman for review. To date no such publications have been received even from our own publication houses.

4. In order to be of the utmost assistance to the Boys' Committees of the Synods and the Pastors of our Churches the committee requested the Rev. C. P. Swank, Chairman of the Boys' Work Committee of the East Pennsylvania Synod, to prepare a pamphlet outlining the methods he has used so successfully in conducting boys' conferences. The Rev. A. T. Michler was requested to prepare a similar pamphlet on boys' summer camps. Both of the brethren cheerfully responded to our request. The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church authorized us to expend no more than $100 in the publication and distribution of these pamphlets. We were forced to limit the edition therefore to 500 of each of these. Copies have been sent to the Boys' Committees of all the Synods of the United Church which have such committees.

The following members of the committee—Rev. G. A. Beiswanger for the West, Rev. C. A. Denney for Western Pennsylvania and Ohio, Rev. G. H. Rhodes for the South, Rev. A. T. Michler for the Northeast—were appointed to promote the work of boys' camps and conferences through the Synods.

5. The Luther League requested action on the Intermediate Luther League as a suitable organization for the boys of the congregation. This committee takes pleasure in commending the plans of the Intermediate Luther League to the United Lutheran Church and its Pastors.

RECOMMENDATION.

We would respectfully *recommend* that the Executive Board be requested to reserve the sum of *$2,000* for the use of this committee.

C. P. HARRY, *Chairman.*

The recommendation was adopted and the report was adopted as a whole.

A motion for the reconsideration of the recommendation of the Boys' Work Committee was lost. Later the President ruled that this resolution would practically mean that if the state of the treasury will permit the Executive Board should grant the amount asked, the only satisfactory reason for not granting the amount being that the money is not available.

The Report of the Board of Publication was taken up and the Rev. N. R. Melhorn, Secretary of the Board, and Mr. Grant Hultberg, Business Manager, addressed the Convention: the latter speaking especially of the new Publication Building which is to be erected in Philadelphia.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION

Biennial Organization.

Following the Washington Convention, the Board of Publication had its first regular meeting December 21, 1920. Dr. Samuel P. Sadtler was elected President; Dr. William C. Stoever, Vice-President; Dr. N. R. Melhorn, Secretary, and Mr. E. G. Hoover, Treasurer. Rev. E. C. J. Kraehling and Mr. L. C. Bonham resigned membership owing to other obligations. The Board of Publication at its meeting December, 1920, accepted these resignations and nominated Rev. A. H. Holthusen, D.D., of Wagner College, and Mr. L. W. Steeble, of the Penn Mutual Insurance Company to the Executive Board for these vacancies. The Executive Board elected them. Mr. Steeble was unable to continue membership with the Board and the vacancy created by his resignation in September, 1920, was filled by the election of Mr. D. F. Yost, of Norristown, by the Executive Board, following his nomination by the Board of Publication.

Eight meetings of the Board have been held during the Biennium.

Standing Committees.

The Board's Executive Committee consists of the officers, the Chairmen of its Committees on Manufacture and Sales, Real Estate and Accounting, Religious Literature, Secular Literature, and Mr. John M. Snyder.

The Executive Committee held monthly and occasional special meetings during the Biennium.

Manufacture and Sales: E. F. Eilert, Chairman; George D. Boschen, A. H. Kohn.

Real Estate and Accounting: G. E. Schlegelmilch, D. F. Efird, Croll Keller.

Religious Literature: C. M. Jacobs, A. R. Wentz, A. H. Holthusen.

Secular Literature: C. F. Steck, S. W. Herman, C. J. Cooper.

Terms Expire at This Convention.

President S. P. Sadtler, Treasurer E. G. Hoover, A. R. Wentz, S. W. Herman, A. H. Holthusen, A. H. Kohn and D. F. Yost. The Board has placed the above names on the ballot as nominees meriting re-election by this Convention.

Books and Literature Issued.

The cost of production reached its highest peak early in the fall of 1920. While there has been some reduction in the price of paper and material entering into the binding of books, the production costs are still very high

and far in excess of the pre-war level. Notwithstanding these difficulties, the Board has found it possible to issue a very large volume of literature, new and old, since July 31, 1920.

New Books.

A total of 114,300 new books has been published. This list of new books includes: "America and World Evangelization," by J. C. Kunzmann, D.D.; "When Christ Comes," by Rev. P. J. Gerberding, B.D.; "When Two Worlds Met," by Rev. A. R. Wentz, Ph.D.; "In the Light of Faith," by J. A. W. Haas, D.D.; "The Church for the Ages," by J. C. Seegers, D.D.; "Workers With God," by W. H. Greever, D.D.; "The Conservative Character of Martin Luther," by George M. Stephenson, Ph.D.; "Theodore Emanuel Schmauk, a Biography," by George W. Sandt, D.D.; "The Lutherans in the Movements for Church Union," by J. L. Neve, D.D. The Lutheran Church Year Book has appeared each year, and "Der Lutherische Kalendar" has been published jointly with the Lutheran Literary Board. Two Lenten Services have been published, "Liturgische Andachten," by Rev. R. Nieder, and "The Passion of Our Lord," by C. F. W. Hoppe, D.D. The Scripture Text Calendar was first issued in the fall of 1920. This calendar was so well received that the entire edition of 20,000 copies was sold out before the end of October. Last year more than 80,000 copies of the calendar were sold, and arrangements have been made to bring out a new calendar in seven colors this year, under the title "The Church Year Calendar." The fourth edition of "Religious Education in the Public School," by G. U. Wenner, D.D., LL.D., has appeared over the Board's imprint, and the Lutheran Lesson Commentary has been continued and appeared this year in enlarged form to cover the International Sunday School Lessons used in the Augsburg series. The new Lesson Commentary met with a reception so enthusiastic that the edition is now sold out.

Reprints.

These include new editions of "The Inner Mission, by Rev. J. F. Ohl, Mus.D.; "How to Teach in Sunday School, by T. E. Schmauk, D.D., LL.D.; "The Lutheran Manual," by J. B. Remensnyder, D.D., LL.D.; "The Knight in Grey," by Marie E. Richard; "The History of Doctrines," by Dr. R. Seeberg, translated by Charles E. Hay, D.D.; Arndt's "True Christianity," "The Deaconess and Her Work;" "Luther, the Reformer," by Charles E. Hay, D.D.; "The Catechist's Handbook," by J. W. Horine, D.D.; "Lectures on the Epistles," "Lectures on the Gospels," "The Golden Altar," "Passiontide Sermonettes," "Lententide Sermonettes" and "The Letters of Jesus," by J. A. Seiss, D.D., LL.D.; "Martin of Mansfeld," by Margaret R. Seebach, and "Lutheran Landmarks," by Dr. W. J. Finck. A large number of the bound volumes in the Lutheran Graded Series have been reprinted and several editions of the Abridged Teacher and the Pupil have been issued. The total number of copies of bound books reprinted reaches the imposing total of 369,800.

Pamphlets and Tracts.

In addition to the above mentioned new and reprinted books, there was published during the period a total of 227,000 new pamphlets and tracts, including Christmas and Easter services for the Sunday Schools and 222,000 reprints of pamphlets and tracts previously issued.

Periodicals.

At the close of the first eleven months' period we were printing 34,000 copies of the *Lutheran,* 92,000 of Lutheran Young Folks, 29,000 of Lutheran Boys and Girls, 4,700 of Der Deutsche Lutheraner, 125,900 of the Sunday School Monthlies and 429,900 of the Sunday School Quarterlies. At the close of the last year we printed 39,000 copies of the *Lutheran,* 99,000 of Lutheran Young Folks, 33,500 of Lutheran Boys and Girls, 4,600 of Der Deutsche Lutheraner, 149,700 of the Sunday School Monthlies and 445,200 of the Sunday School Quarterlies.

In carrying out the policy of the Parish and Church School Board, the Teacher's and Scholar's Scripture Lessons Quarterlies and the Pocket Lessons Leaf were merged with the Augsburg Quarterlies with the beginning of the present calendar year. This consolidation has been generally well received, as indicated by the fact that though these three quarterlies no longer appear, the number of quarterlies published has increased from 429,900 copies a year ago to 445,200 copies at the present time.

Hymnals.

Shortly after the last Convention the large word edition of the Common Service Book was brought out, suitable for use in Canada and other British Dominions. This was shortly afterward followed with a similar supply of the small word edition. Just before Easter this year an India paper edition of the small Common Service Book was published and offered in several attractive bindings. All of these various editions have been well received. Of the various hymnals there have been published since the last report the following number of copies: Common Service Book, 90,000 copies; Church Book, 3,000 copies; Book of Worship, 19,200 copies, and Kirchenbuch, 6,100 copies.

Prices.

The Board found it necessary to increase slightly the price of some periodicals and publications early in the fall of 1920 in order to cover a part of the increased cost of production as shown by the cost of operations during the first half of that year. These increases, however, did not anywhere near cover the increase in cost of materials the Board met with the latter half of 1920 and the early part of 1921. Since that time the Board has sought to avoid further increases and to reduce prices wherever possible. Some further price reductions have been decided on, to become effective this fall, and four of the quarterlies are to be increased in size without a corresponding price increase. But there is not, however, at this time much prospect of a further reduction in prices, as the cost of production is still nearly twice the pre-war level.

Church Papers.

The *Lutheran* has been published as a thirty-two page weekly ever since the latter part of September, 1920. The publication of a weekly of this quality and size has required considerable financial support from the Board, as the advertising patronage is necessarily limited to the requirements as to what may properly appear in a Church paper, and the subscription receipts are not sufficient to cover fully the expense of publication. An increase of 50c. in the subscription price would make the paper self-sustaining.

The Board, however, does not at this time request such an increase in price, believing it would lessen the number of subscribers and thereby retard the growing unity of effort toward greater service within the Church. The Convention should appreciate that this periodical will cease to require a donation from the Board and will be a much more effective aid to every operation of the Church when the congregations are more conscious that it is a necessity if we are to deal with our Christian obligations in a co-ordinated manner. The present circulation does not include all our Church Councilmen, Sunday School officers and teachers, and leaders of congregational societies. The Board wishes to acknowledge the valuable help of the Women's Missionary Society in putting on a campaign for new subscribers last spring. Through their able assistance nearly 10,000 new subscribers were secured.

In response to the request of the German General Conference, the Board has been in consultation with the Church Paper Committee relative to the consolidation of *Der Deutsche Lutheraner* and *Lutherische Zions Bote*. Full agreement has been arrived at with the Church Paper Committee, leaving only the details of business arrangement to be worked out with the Lutheran Literary Board, the publishers of *Zions Bote*.

New Publication Building.

The Board has contracted with the Wark Company, of Philadelphia, for the erection of an eight-story and basement building, to be located at Thirteenth and Spruce streets, Philadelphia, to carry the name Muhlenberg Building. The plans call for a structure with a frontage of 74 feet on Spruce street and 117 feet on Thirteenth street. It is "office type" in architecture, with extra strengthening of the lower floors to make them adequate for the load of printing machinery. The seventh and eighth floors are designed for offices for Church Boards and the entire building can be changed into an office building should such an alteration become advantageous.

The ground for this building was purchased at $150,000. Our contract with the Wark Company is to pay $478,000 for its erection. The needed furnishings and additional printing machinery will require an additional expenditure estimated at $75,000.

The Board's ability to provide the United Lutheran Church with so desirable and valuable an asset is due mainly to funds arising from real

estate transactions occurring during the last decade. The Publication Society and the General Council Board of Publication owned property on Arch street, Philadelphia, which was taken over by the city for a "parkway." For their holdings the two Boards received awards. Property on Seventeenth street and the Parkway purchased by the General Council Board from the proceeds of its award accrued in value and was sold in April, 1922, for the gross sum of $500,000, of which $350,000 is a mortgage due in one year. The net proceeds of this sale, together with the net proceeds of the Publication Society's award for its Arch street property (see Treasurer Hoover's schedule of invested securities), total about $585 000. By virtue of this resource, obtained without being gathered by profits on books, periodicals and commodities, the Board feels justified in so large a real estate investment. In addition to convenience for the carrying on and expansion of our business, we are thus enabled to offer quarters for various Lutheran Boards and activities, and to indicate by an impressive building the power and aspirations of our Church. There is also sincere gratification in the knowledge that ideals and plans toward which faithful members of former Boards have given themselves are now to be realized.

A Publication Program.

The Board is convinced that its full duty to the Church is not performed by the publication and distribution of official literature and of manuscripts offered to it by their authors. It believes that it has the further duty to initiate the preparation of literature of which the Church stands in need. Acting upon this conviction, the Board, at its meeting of July 25, 1922, unanimously adopted the report of a committee previously appointed to prepare a comprehensive publication program. The realization of this program will require some years of time and the investment of considerable capital, as well as the larger facilities for the manufacture and handling of books which its new plant will provide.

The program comprises the preparation and publication of books of nine different classes, and the titles provisionally chosen aggregate forty volumes. To seven of the nine classes of works additions will be made from time to time. The chief items of the program are as follows:

I. The completion at the earliest possible date of the edition of *Luther's Works in English,* begun by the General Council Publication Board, and of Smith and Jacobs' *Luther's Correspondence,* begun by the Lutheran Publication Society.

II. The preparation of an encyclopedic work of reference in not less than two volumes. In connection with this proposal the Board has entered into negotiations with the National Lutheran Council looking to the possible purchase of its rights in Jacobs and Haas' *Lutheran Encyclopedia,* published in 1899 by Charles Scribner's Sons and now owned by the National Council.

III. A series of Theological Handbooks for use in theological seminaries.

IV. A series of books, primarily for laymen, on subjects connected with the doctrine, practices and history of the Church.

V. A series of Bible study books.

VI. A new two-volume commentary on the New Testament and other exegetical works for pastors and teachers.

VII. Books on religion for schools and colleges.

VIII. A series of devotional commentaries on the Church Year, the Passion History and the Greater Psalms.

IX. A series of religious books for young people.

The adoption of this program does not prevent the Board from accepting for publication other works of special merit which may be offered to it and which will, in its judgment, have a useful place in the Church's literature.

This program is presented to the Church as a tangible evidence of the Board's desire to be in the largest sense a serving agency through which contact may be established between the Church at large and the scholarship and literary ability of its pastors and teachers. It is for the carrying out of this program, as well as to provide for the growing volume of its official literature, that the Board feels the imperative need of the larger facilities which the Muhlenberg Building will furnish. In this work the Board hopes and confidently believes that it will have the cordial approval and support of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL P. SADTLER, *President.*
N. R. MELHORN, *Secretary.*

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS OF JUNE 30, 1921.

ASSETS.

Cash on Hand and in Banks			$48,411.47
Bills Receivable		$5,889.14	
Accounts Receivable	$142,901.27		
Subscriptions Due on Lutheran and Der Deutsche Lutheraner	16,528.00		
Advertising Accounts	2,425.61		
		161,854.88	
		$167,744.02	
Less Reserve for Doubtful Accounts		5,000.00	
			162,744.02
Accrued Rentals and Interest			632.50
Advances to Employees			51.00

Merchandise and Stock on Hand in Philadelphia and Branch Houses	$197,352.61
Government Securities	311.30
Other Securities	95,690.20
Prepaid Insurance, Taxes and Telephone	1,295.66
Real Estate and Buildings	368,911.17
Machinery and Equipment	45,054.99
Furniture and Fixtures	13,354.23
Electrotype Plates	10,417.08
Editorial Library	107.07
Total	$944,333.30

LIABILITIES.

Bills Payable		$41,680.00
Accounts Payable		29,068.30
Accrued Salaries, Taxes, Interest, Agents' Fees, Royalties		4,624.69
Amount Due Subscribers on Subscriptions for Periodicals		74,254.41
Mortgages Payable		84,500.00
Contingent Liabilities.		
Bills Discounted	$5,541.70	
Accommodation Endorsement	295.00	
	$5,836.70	
Net Assets		710,205.90
Total		$944,333.30

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS OF JUNE 30, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash on Hand and in Banks			$170,237.12
Bills Receivable		$5,839.14	
Accounts Receivable	$146,607.68		
Subscriptions Due on Der Deutsche Lutheraner	3,569.50		
Advertising Accounts	2,302.51		
		$152,479.69	
		$158,318.83	
Less Reserve for Doubtful Accounts		8,000.00	
			$150,318.83
Accrued Rentals and Interest			1,100.68
Advances to Employees			47.50
Merchandise and Stock on Hand in Philadelphia and Branch Houses			197,344.89
Government Securities			42,242.00
Other Securities			52,228.70
Mortgage			350,000.00
Prepaid Insurance, Taxes and Water Rent			2,582.60
Real Estate and Buildings			226,338.79
Machinery and Equipment			33,493.45

Furniture and Fixtures		$13,301.40
Electrotype Plates		7,562.43
Total		$1,246,798.39

LIABILITIES.

Accounts Payable		$23,698.51
Accrued Salaries, Interest, Royalties and Water Rent		2,967.84
Amount Due Subscribers on Subscriptions for Periodicals		75,884.00
Mortgages Payable		112,500.00
Contingent Liabilities.		
Bills Discounted	$5,541.70	
Accommodation Endorsement	180.00	
	$5,721.70	
Net Assets		$1,031,748.04
Total		$1,246,798.39

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the Eleven Months Ended 30th of June, 1921.

Gross Sales of Books, Advertising, etc.	$617,929.62	
Less Returns, Allowances and Discounts	15,071.84	
Net Sales		$602,857.78
Purchases: Books, Merchandise, Paper, Printing and Binding	$368,188.54	
Printing Department Wages and Editorial Salaries	68,464.24	
Authors and Contributors	5,348.48	
Royalties	980.25	
Shipping and Mailing Expenses (Including Postage)	34,473.71	
Freight, Expressage and Hauling	3,572.63	
Rent	7,133.32	
Power and Light	$2,891.73	
General Manufacturing Expense	831.20	
Insurance	1,293.80	
Taxes	91.88	
Depreciation of Machinery, etc.	8,077.06	
	$501,346.84	
Add, Decrease in Inventories	2,749.00	
	$504,095.84	
Deduct:		
Sales of Waste, etc. $4,267.56		
Transfer to Lutheran Women's Work 1,484.80		
Discounts on Purchases 542.45		
	6,294.81	
		$497,801.03
Gross Profit on Sales		$105,056.75
Selling, Administrative and General Expenses:		
Executive and Office Salaries	$34,854.79	
Office Supplies and Expenses	6,911.22	

Expenses of Board Meetings, etc.		$1,116.28	
Telephone, Telegraph and Messenger Service		660.62	
Advertising		951.64	
Auditing		500.00	
Memberships		406.32	
Traveling Expense		1,083.49	
General Expense		2,487.18	
Branch Office:			
Rentals	$5,345.54		
Postage	1,991.85		
Freight, Hauling, Shipping, etc.	1,290.58		
Insurance	741.51		
Taxes and Water Rent	1,581.84		
		10,951.32	
Donations		500.00	
Uncollectible Accounts, Charged Off		364.48	
Depreciation of Furniture and Fixtures		1,302.17	
Loss on Sale of Storage Building		191.05	
Loss on the Publication "Tidings," Discontinued		152.42	
			$62,432.98
			$42,623.77
Other Income:			
Rental from Properties	$10,793.95		
Less, Taxes and Expenses of Properties	6,367.91		
		$4,426.04	
Interest:			
On Investments	$6,024.25		
On Bank Balances	849.24		
		6,873.49	
Profit on Building and Loan Stock Matured		1,440.00	
Profit on Sale of Machinery		926.22	
			13,665.75
Profit Before Interest			$56,289.52
Interest:			
On Mortgages	$1,213.09		
On Loans	1,815.45		
			$3,028.54
			$53,260.98
Deduct, Profit to Women's Missionary Society on "Boys and Girls"			347.70
Net Profit for the Period			$52,913.28

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

For the Year Ended 30th of June, 1922.

Gross Sales of Books, Advertising, etc.		$614,111.95	
Less Returns, Allowances and Discounts		19,038.51	
Net Sales			$595,073.44
Purchases: Books, Merchandise, Paper, Printing and Binding		$359,567.63	
Printing Department Wages and Editorial Salaries		59,530.80	

Authors and Contributors		$5,639.78	
Royalties		3,081.92	
Shipping and Mailing Expenses (Including Postage)		39,874.23	
Freight, Expressage and Hauling		3,448.47	
Rent		12,000.00	
Power and Light		1,932.18	
General Manufacturing Expense		339.54	
Insurance		2,213.83	
Taxes		153.05	
Depreciation of Machinery		7,424.96	
		$495,206.39	
Add, Decrease in Inventories		7.72	
		$495,214.11	
Deduct:			
Sales of Waste, etc.	$1,147.45		
Discounts of Purchases	1,870.16		
		3,017.61	
			$492,196.50
Gross Profit on Sales			$102,876.94
Selling, Administrative and General Expenses:			
Executive and Office Salaries		$43,782.28	
Office Supplies and Expenses		2,983.88	
Expenses of Board Meetings, etc.		760.12	
Telephone, Telegraph and Messenger Service		773.90	
Advertising		862.32	
Auditing		2,047.69	
Memberships		464.50	
Traveling Expense		1,238.20	
General Expense		2,753.88	
Branch Office:			
Rentals	$6,238.96		
Postage	1,955.60		
Freight, Hauling, Shipping, etc.	1,311.32		
Insurance	498.49		
Taxes and Water Rent	22.63		
	$10,027.00		
Adjustment of Differences Between Branch Office and Home Office Accounts	329.49		
		9,697.51	
Donations		262.65	
Reserve for Doubtful Accounts		3,000.00	
Depreciation of Furniture and Fixtures		1,494.19	
Appropriation to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America		1,000.00	
			71,121.12
			$31,755.82
Other Income:			
Rental from Properties	$15,380.65		
Less Taxes and Expenses of Properties	9,291.77		
		$6,088.88	

Interest:			
On Investments	$6,273.49		
On Bank Balances	709.14		
On Bills Receivable	4.16		
		$6,986.79	
			$13,075.67
Profit Before Interest			$44,831.49
Interest:			
On Mortgages		$6,238.33	
On Loans		2,042.62	
			8,280.95
			$36,550.54
Add, Proportion of Loss on "Boys and Girls" Due from the Women's Missionary Society			302.45
Net Profit for the Period			$36,852.99

Respectfully submitted,
GRANT HULTBERG, *Business Manager.*
E. G. HOOVER, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, 21st August, 1922.

We certify that we have examined the accounts of the Board of Publication of the United Lutheran Church in America for the eleven months ended 30th June, 1921, and for the year ended 30th June, 1922, and that the foregoing statements correctly set forth its financial condition at 30th June, 1921, and 30th June, 1922, and the results of its operations for the twenty-three months ended 30th June, 1922.

Very truly yours,
LYBRAND ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

RESERVE FUND.

Schedule of securities in the Reserve Fund held by the Treasurer. The value given is the market value as of June 30, 1922. These securities are included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, and the Income and Payments are included in the Consolidated Profit and Loss Account.

Stocks		
20	Shares Riverside Traction Co. Pfd., Par $50	$400.00
Bonds		
$5,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. 1st Mtge. 4s, 1948	4,062.50
5,600	Electric & Peoples Traction Co. 4% Stock Trust Certificates, 1945	3,794.00
4,000	Equitable Illuminating Gas Light Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1928	4,000.00
6,000	Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. Cons. S. S. Gold 4½s, 1954	5,640.00
5,000	Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. Genl. Cons. Mtge. 4s, 2003	4,025 00
1,000	Lehigh Valley R. R. Co. Genl. Cons. Mtge. 4½s, 2003	900.00
10,000	Pennsylvania R. R. Co. Cons. Mtge. 4½s, 1960	9,850.00
3,000	Perkiomen R. R. Co. 1st Series Mtge. 5s, 1938	2,880.00
4,000	Riverside Traction Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1960	2,600.00
1,000	Rome (N. Y.) Gas, Electric Light & Power Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1931	750.00
4,000	Tri-City Ry. & Light Co. 1st Lien Coll. Tr. S. F. Gold 5s, 1923	4,000.00

$10,000 U. S. First Liberty Loan Conv. 4¼s	$10,022.00
25,000 U. S. Third Liberty Loan 4¼s	25,020.00
7,000 U. S. Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼s	7,000 00
3,000 United Traction Co. of Pittsburgh Genl. 5s, 1997	1,860.00
1,000 Western N. Y. & Penna. R. R. Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1937	975.00
4,000 Wichita Falls & Northwestern R. R. Co. 1st & Ref. 5s, 1940	2,667.20
	$90,445.70

JOHN RUNG FUND.

The securities in this fund and the income therefrom are included in the Consolidated Statements of Assets and Liabilities and Statements of Profit and Loss.

Bonds

$3,000 Hestonville, Mantua & Fairmount Pass. Ry. Co. Cons. Mtge. 5s, 1924	$2,850.00
1,000 Western N. Y. & Penna. R. R. Co. 1st Mtge. 5s, 1937	975.00
Cash on Deposit	977.63
	$4,802.63

Respectfully submitted,
E. G. HOOVER, *Treasurer.*

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Convention adjourned with prayer by the Rev. W. H. B. Carney.

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Afternoon Session

Monday, October 23, 2:00.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. George J. Gongaware.

Acting President Burgess called the Convention to order.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel moved the adoption of the following recommendation previously offered:

That the By-Laws be amended by striking from the list of Standing Committees the name of the "Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains," and inserting therefor the "Committee on Army and Navy Work."

The proposed amendment was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The Rev. H. E. Jacobs offered the following which was adopted:

That the Executive Board be requested, in case it be in its judgment desirable, to reformulate section VIII of the By-Laws to prevent any misunderstandings as to any difference with the provisions specified by the State of New York as to amendments to By-Laws of its corporations and to report to the next Convention.

The Committee submitted the following resolutions which were adopted:

1. Resolved, That hereafter the printed Bulletins of the Convention include a directory of elective Boards and Committees.

2. Whereas there are in California and other Pacific Coast states, 100,000 or more Asiatic people, the majority of whom are Japanese, be it resolved that the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church be hereby requested to direct the attention of the Immigrants Mission Board to this fact with the request that investigation of the possibilities of working among the Asiatics, especially the Japanese, be made, and that if the investigation justifies the movement, work be inaugurated among them as soon as possible.

3. Be it resolved, That the rule of the Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America be that all items affecting the budget of the Church be referred to the Executive Board for review and report before final action upon them is taken by the Convention.

At this point Dr. Koller of the Committee of Reference and Counsel read greetings from Dr. Raffay, Bishop of the United Lutheran Church of Hungary, from Dr. George Tomasti Janoska, Bishop President of the Slovakian Church, from the President of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of France, from Dr. K. Amelung, President of the Lutherischer Bund, from Dr. Ludwig Ihmels, Bishop of Saxony and from Dr. Chas. H. Brent, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Western Diocese of New York.

On motion of the Rev. R. B. Peery, the letters of the Lutheran Bishops were referred to the Executive Board with instructions to send such reply as their wise judgment may suggest, and it was also ordered that they be spread upon the Minutes.

Budapest, Hungary, September 18, 1922.

To the Assembly of The United Lutheran Church:
Dear Fathers and Brethren.

Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and
from our Lord Jesus Christ!

The Hungarian Lutheran Church hereby conveys its warmest greeting, Christian love and grateful respect to the members assembled in the meeting of The United Lutheran Church in America.

We are obliged to you for your noble kindness in holding out a helping hand towards us, in the hour of distress, at the time of need, when our Church and country were on the verge of a breakdown. Accept, please,

our special thanks for your willingness in establishing an agreement with our Church in the spirit of real brotherhood. We feel certain that this relation of ours will conduce to the benefit of the faith in the Gospel, and the glory of God.

The blessing of our Lord be with you and your meeting. The result thereof should give strength of faith to our brethren. May it also work for the good of our Lutheran Churches, the religious zeal therein, and foster unity in fraternal love.

Impoverished and reduced in numbers, we, Hungarian Lutherans, have no other riches left but the blessings of our Lord's Gospel, and the love of our brethren. We ask you to bear us in remembrance.

May the richest blessing of our Lord rest upon you and your deliberations.

(Signed) D. RAFFAY, Bishop.

Office of the Bishop of the Ev. Luth. Church in Slovakia.
(Eastern District)

Liptovsky Svaty Mikulas, September 20, 1922.

To the Honorable Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, meeting in Buffalo, New York,
Greetings in Christ Jesus!

Highly esteemed Gentlemen!
Dear Brethren:

The brotherly relation, which has developed between us, between your Church and our Church, since our (Slovak) Church became independent in the Czecho-Slovak Republic, and particularly since our brethren, countrymen, associated in the Zion Synod, are members of your great ecclesiastical organization, leads us to approach and address you, in order that we may greet you with a brotherly greeting in your assembly.

We are led to this both by the live consciousness that we feel that we are near to you in faith and confession, and by a feeling of thankfulness and gratefulness for the good your Church has done for many years and is still doing among our emigrants who have come to your shores and are scattered over the wide territory of your American nation, and what you have done and are still doing through the European Commission of the National Lutheran Council to relieve the great need of our pastors, pensioners, widows and orphans, and to aid the needy congregations and institutions of mercy in our Republic.

For all these deeds of love and mercy, we are bound to you with a feeling of cordial thanks.

But even more the prospect of our future mutual task leads us to address you in order that the bond of love may be strengthened and the unity of spirit be confirmed among us.

In view of this we have the honor to announce that by correspondence

and personal conferences with your European representative, the highly esteemed Rev. Prof. J. A. Morehead, the matter has progressed so far that your proposition of an agreement for co-operation between your Church and our Church has been accepted and passed in our narrower conference August 29, (1922); and it is to be presented for ratification at our nearest General Assembly. When the General Assembly, as we trust, passes the agreement, we have the firm hope that this agreement will strengthen the consciousness of our fellowship in the unity of faith in Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, will help the spiritual and ecclesiastical life, and particularly will be a true blessing in the spiritual care of our emigrants and immigrants.

From a sincere heart wishing your Convention and its work grace and blessings from the Lord of the Church, and sending cordial greetings to all of our dear brethren in Christ, in the name and in the representation of the Ev. Lutheran Church /aug. conf./ in Slovakia, we remain,

Yours in brotherly love,

(Signed) Dr. John Vanovic, General Inspector of the Ev. Luth. /aug. conf./ Church in Slovakia.

(Signed) George Janoska, Bishop, President of the General Ev. Luth. /aug. conf./ Church in Slovakia.

Paris, le September 20th, 1922.

To the Convention of The United Lutheran Church assembled at Buffalo, Oct. 17-26.

To the President,

Dear Sir:

It is a great pleasure for the Evangelical Lutheran Church of France to have the opportunity, through the Buffalo Convention, of sending her fraternal and affectionate greetings to the United Lutheran Church in America.

She wishes to express her deepest gratitude for the generous gifts which she has received, and which have enabled her to maintain all her institutions.

She is especially grateful for the visit of the last delegate, Dr. Morehead, who has established between our two Churches an alliance resting on a strong basis of mutual trust and sympathy.

Allow us to thank you as well as Dr. Morehead and all those who took a part in it, for the general work that has been done in Europe. This work accomplished for the glory of God, and of our Saviour Jesus Christ, is a blessing for the world, and for the Church also. Thanks to the spirit of sacrifice and service which she has awakened in all hearts, she has strengthened the faith of her members, she has established unity in co-operation and action; your delegates have been the messengers of good tidings in the war-devastated countries, and the Lutheran Church has revealed herself to the world as a saving power. We thank you for having

given our Church the means of realizing this and of showing the world an example of Faith and Charity.

God bless the Buffalo Convention.

God bless the Lutheran Church all over the world.

L'Inspecteur Ecclesiastique — Le President

(Signed) H. Bach, Insp. Ecc. — (Signed) Count Paul de Pourtales.

Dresden, A. 24, Leubuitzer. Strasse 2, II.
September 9, 1922.

To this year's Convention of the
United Lutheran Church in America, Buffalo, N. Y.

As I have learned from your esteemed President, Dr. Knubel, there will again be a convention of The United Lutheran Church in America this year for the discussion of important questions, permit me, esteemed Sirs and Brethren, to extend to the convention in the name of the Lutherischer Bund, which has made the maintenance and strengthening of confessional Lutheran churches in Germany its object, God's richest blessings upon your transactions so that you may prosper under the guidance of His Holy Spirit to the real furtherance of His Kingdom and the glorifying of His Holy Name.

I rejoice in this opportunity to thank The United Lutheran Church in America in the name of the Lutherischer Bund for all the loyal and fraternal help which the distressed Lutheran Church in Germany has received from you also in such rich measure in these times. The ever rich God requite it unto you according to His grace and mercy! May He strengthen you by His precious Holy Spirit that in these times of uncertainty and apostasy you may stand unshakably firm upon the solid foundation of His Divine Word and the Confessions of our dear Lutheran Church. May He also graciously vouchsafe that this confession may prove itself a power unto life in your Church as well as in ours, which will penetrate the entire life of the Church and will drive out or destroy everything that cannot subsist before the holy face of the exalted Lord and King of His Church, and which will produce noble fruit upon which His eye may rest with approval. Let us all unite with Luther in his praise of the holy Christian Church:

"I love her well, the Virgin pure
I shall forget her never;
Her laud and praise for aye endure,
She holds my heart for ever!"

May the Lord make us faithful in His service and that of this pure Virgin!

With this wish I greet the venerable Convention in the name of the Lutherischer Bund.

(Signed) Dr. K. Amelung, President.

Leipzig, Schillerstrasse 8 II,
Juli 29, 1922.

The President of the The United Lutheran
Church in America.

Most Honored President:—

Quite a long time ago you sent me a preliminary announcement of your Convention in October, and asked me to consider if it would be possible for me to take part in it. Now you have transmitted to me through Dr. Morehead an official invitation, for which you prepared me by telegram.

Be assured that I have received your invitation with sincere and deep gratitude and that it would coincide with my own inmost desire, if I might be permitted for once to enjoy the unity in the faith with the brethren in America and to take part in the important Convention of The United Lutheran Church. But since your invitation in the spring, the circumstances have been altered completely for me, inasmuch as I have been called as the future Bishop of Saxony and must enter upon my official duties the first of October. In view of this I cannot possibly travel to America immediately after assuming my office, to be absent from the Church of Saxony for several weeks. My assumption of the office has already been retarded by the work of the semester and the beginning of my work is being expected from every side. It would not be understood if I should at once abandon my immediate duty, to serve elsewhere. This applies all the more in view of the fact that as soon as possible after my consecration, the Church of Saxony must meet in convention. What would people say if I should not participate in it but would attend a foreign convention?

I may confidently hope that you will understand the reasons which necessitate my absence. Perhaps at some other time the opportunity may come for personal intercourse with the dear American brethren. Today, all I can do is to send my most hearty good wishes and prayers by this means. May God bestow His richest blessings upon this very important convention, so that through all things His Kingdom may come. But let the esteemed brethren be assured that in the time to come it will be my concern to cultivate in my modest way the communion and work of the entire Lutheran Church.

And may the Lord of the Church be with you as with us.

In cordial fellowship in the faith,

Very respectfully yours,
(Signed) IHMELS.

Moved and carried, That greetings be sent in reply to Bishop Brent of the Protestant Episcopal Church by the President of The United Lutheran Church.

On motion of the Chairman of the Committee of Reference and Counsel the hearing of the report of the National Lutheran Council

was made the special order of the day and the Rev. H. A. Weller presented the report as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL

Your Commissioners have the honor to submit their report of the work of the National Lutheran Council for the past Biennium of The United Lutheran Church in America.

I. Relief and Reconstruction Work in Europe—The greatest work claiming the continued attention of the National Lutheran Council has been the problem of physical and spiritual relief in the countries of Europe torn by the great World War.

Incident to this work is the work of salvaging Lutheran Missions and Mission Fields in what is commonly known as Foreign Mission Work.

The published reports of the National Lutheran Council have been placed in the hands of every clerical member of the Lutheran Church in America, and contain the matter of European and Foreign Mission Work, in such detail that it would be supererogation to attempt even a resumé in this report. Your Commission would like, therefore, to refer in this behalf to the published Annual Reports of the National Lutheran Council.

II. Changes in Administration—Until the annual meeting of the National Lutheran Council, in December, 1920, one of the Presidents of participating General Bodies—the Rev. Dr. H. G. Stub of the Norwegian Lutheran Church in America—served the Council as its first President, with self-sacrificing devotion and dignified leadership, during a most trying period of its history.

Recognizing that the burdens which the Council must lay upon its President can hardly be carried by one who is, at the same time, President of a Synodical or General Body, the Council determined to call to that office one who could give and devote his entire time to it. In recognition of his personal merit and his grasp of all the problems to be met, by reason of his opportunity as the former General Secretary, the Rev. Lauritz Larsen, D.D., LL.D., was elected. The office of General Secretary was abolished, laying all that work upon the President of the Council. Provision was also made for a salary to enable the President to give his entire time to the call of his office.

The Rev. President of the United Lutheran Church in America had, from its organization, served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Council; but, advocating that Presidents of participating General Bodies would be in better position to function in the promotion of the true purpose and value of the National Lutheran Council if they were not active members of its Executive Committee, he expressed a desire to be relieved of that office in the Council, and the Rev. Dr. Charles M. Jacobs of our Commission of the United Lutheran Church was elected in his stead. The

following elected officers and members thereupon began to function as the Executive Committee: President, Dr. Lauritz Larsen; Vice-President, Dr. C. H. L. Schuette; Recording Secretary, Dr. Peter Peterson; Treasurer, Hon. E. F. Eilert, and the Rev. Drs. H. G. Stub, I. Gersten, G. A. Brandelle, H. A. Weller and C. M. Jacobs.

Some misunderstandings having arisen in the minds of men of the Iowa Synod concerning the interpretation of Article II of the Regulations governing the purpose and work of the National Lutheran Council, the Council, at the same annual meeting, adopted the following resolution in amplification:

Resolved, That Article II of the Regulations be amended so that the following statement be inserted as an introduction to Article III:

(a) In stating its objects and purposes the National Lutheran Council declares,

1. That it will not interfere with the organization, the inner life, or the principles of fellowship of its constituent Bodies;

2. That the execution of these purposes will be carried out without prejudice to the confessional basis of any participating Body (i. e., without dealing with matters which require confessional unity);

3. That it is the right of the Bodies themselves to determine the extent of co-operation.

III. International Lutheran Convention—At the last Convention of the United Lutheran Church the question of action looking to the holding of a Lutheran Ecumenical Conference being under consideration, it was resolved:

"That the United Lutheran Church looks with approval upon the holding of an Ecumenical Lutheran Conference in Europe"; and the Executive Board was instructed to invite the co-operation of other Lutheran bodies in arranging for such Conference, etc. (Minutes, 1920, pp. 86, 4; 442, 4.)

Similar undertakings on the part of participant bodies moved the National Lutheran Council to authorize the preparation of plans and a program for such international conference of Lutherans, and to appoint a committee to consult European Lutheran bodies. The plan and program evolved provided for an "International Lutheran Convention" to "promote clearer understanding within and among the groups represented," to be "called by the National Lutheran Council acting jointly with the Allgemeine Lutherische Konferenz and the Lutherische Bund" for a discussion of:

"1. The place of the Confessions in the Church.

"2. Methods and principles of Church organization.

"3. The relation of the Lutheran Church to programs of union with other Churches.

"4. Foreign Mission problems."

This purpose and program was later heartily approved by the Allgemeine Ev. Lutherische Konferenz, which appointed a committee for joint action to promote such convention.

The Lutherische Bund took favorable action and appointed a committee to participate in a joint meeting for arrangement of a program, but decided that by reason of its numerical and financial weakness it was not in a position to participate directly in the calling of such a convention.

In June, 1922, joint meetings of the committees of the bodies above named were held. Our European Commissioners, togethers with the Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D., represented the National Lutheran Council. At the time of the writing of this report such International Lutheran Convention is in process of joint promotion, with prospect of its being held in Europe during the next Biennium of our United Lutheran Church.

IV. Finances—To afford to all members of the United Lutheran Church an intelligent view of the financial operations incident to the work given the National Lutheran Council to administer, it is deemed best to insert and publish in this report a memorandum of operations from the beginning (September 6, 1919) to July 1, 1922, a period of three years and ten months.

RECEIPTS.

Campaign of 1918-19	$628,232.64
Clothing Campaign	279,379.24
Campaign of 1920	1,208,852.95
Campaign of 1921	534,844.62
	$2,651,309.45
Interest on Deposits and Investments	44,115.69
Total Receipts	$2,695,425.14
Deduct—Cost of Various Campaigns	219,768.29
Net Available Balance for N. L. C.	$2,475,656.85

EXPENDITURES.

Relief and Reconstruction:*		
Detailed Memo. Appended	$1,828,959.71	
Expenses of Commissioners:		
European	52,658.14	
Foreign Missions	2,193.34	
		$1,883,811.19
Educational and Publicity Work:		
Lutheran Bureau	$53,184.80	
Lutheran Bureau Reference Department	19,452.96	
Statistical Department and Almanac	28,307.37	
Diet at Worms Celebration	2,500.00	
		103,445.13
Administration Expenses:		
Executive. (Principally for Traveling, Meetings and Washington Office)	$10,874.15	
General Office. (Including Salaries, Clerical Help, Postage, Rent, Telephone, etc.)	41,398.59	
Financial Office. (Including Clerical Help, Postage, Recordings, Rents, etc., for the		

*Detailed memorandum of expenditures for relief and reconstruction to June 30, 1922.

Handling of the Funds and Exchange)	$48,128.08	
Printing, etc., Annual Reports	6,728.34	
		$107,129.16
Total Expenditures		$2,094,385.48
Balance on Hand, Cash and Securities, July 1, 1922		$381,271.37
Of this balance available to do the work begun and for the balance of the year 1922 there had already been designated and held ready for payment as appropriated		$261,502.15
Leaving available for balance of the year, and all this with the great domain of Russian and its great need for relief really just opened		$119,769.22
European and Other Countries:		
France		$111,831.63
Germany		386,233.52
Poland		297,988.04
Austria		72,786.38
Czecho-Slovakia		45,293.75
Latvia		45,563.33
Roumania		78,075.35
Finland		49,338.00
Esthonia		29,701.73
Hungary		72,008.06
Lithuania		2,826.59
Danzig		1,412.18
Jugo-Slavia		11,839.30
Ukraine		12,500.00
Italy		1,492.00
Siberia		2,015.14
Russian Refugees		8,000.00
Russia		115,718.49
Spain		2,731.54
Turkey		204.00
Switzerland		5.00
American Friends' Fund		174.00
Near East Relief		6,135.67
China Famine Fund		14,536.00
Jerusalem		5.00
Emergency Relief		500.00
Clothing Relief		167,428.07
Industrial Work		1,795.00
Undesignated		11,165.10
European Relief Council		952.07
Foreign Missions:		
China		142,256.15
India		71,542.92
Japan		12,299.25
Persia		55.00
Africa		49,074.52
South America		3,476.93
Total		$1,828,959.71

V.—Restatement of Purpose and Scope of Council.

The National Lutheran Council, organized primarily as an agency of and by the General Bodies of the Lutheran Church in America to function in representative, publicative, mutually co-ordinating and harmonizing capacity for the Lutheran Church in America, at its very beginning met with a divine order whereby the dire needs of fellow believers who were dying of hunger, lack of clothing and shelter, or in imprisonments under impossible conditions in other lands, turned every force the Council could muster into channels of administration for physical and spiritual relief and the rescue, re-establishment and restoration of the Church of the Lutheran faith which, as an organized entity, was tottering and shattered by the Great War in Europe.

In the publicity of ecclesiastical activities this soon overshadowed whatever of the primary functions of its activities the Council could and did exercise in the homeland. So overwhelmingly did the almost miraculous labors of love to safeguard the Church in America by the rescue of the Church of our faith and the salvage of Christian civilization in Europe, and the promotion of the consciousness of a common task among the Lutheran forces of the world against materialistic unbelief and unchristian aggression operate, that the National Lutheran Council scarcely found time to orientate itself to the original purpose of its organization.

When, through its offices and the indescribably and almost vicariously remarkable labors of its Commissioner in Europe, Dr. Morehead and his co-laborers on the far-flung fields of supreme distress, the organization for the administration of what American Lutherans gave for such relief and rescue work was sufficiently established to permit the Council to take account of itself (to which accounting it was challenged by conditions reflecting general after-war unrest arising and asserting themselves in the Church Bodies of America), it was determined and a committee was appointed to take under advisement and report upon "The future financing of the Council and of a possible restatement of its scope and purposes." Of suggestions, many, and advice good, bad and indifferent, some wholesome and much of it inimical to all good order and polity and the co-operative life of the Lutheran Church in America, began to flow in steady stream until a Special Committee of Presidents of Participating Bodies and the President of the Council evolved the following declaration which was adopted and is here reported in full for the information of the whole United Lutheran Church:

A. In accordance with regulations governing the National Lutheran Council, it is not a federation but only a representative agency of the General Bodies supporting it and exists for specific purposes.

1. It is recommended that the term "Constituent Bodies" in the first sentence of Article II of the Regulations Governing the National Lutheran Council be understood as meaning nothing more than "participating" bodies.

2. It is recommended that the letterheads and literature of the National

Lutheran Council carry the following statement: "An Agency for," to be followed by an alphabetical list of the participating bodies.

3. The National Lutheran Council should use the regular Commissioners on all its committees. In an emergency, however, committees may be appointed outside of the Commissioners, but with the consent and approval of the Presidents of the participating bodies.

4. The National Lutheran Council shall not hold formal membership in other agencies of the General Bodies.

B. The work of the Council properly falls into two divisions, viz., Regular Work and Emergency Work.

C.—Regular Work.

1. Representation of the Lutheran Church in its attitude towards,

a. The National Government whenever needed. This is not to exclude direct approach to the Government which any General Body may wish to make.

b. Organized Bodies and Movements outside of the Lutheran Church that may require common action. This is to be undertaken only after consultation with the authorities of the General Bodies.

2. *Statistics*—Includes the Year Book (the Lutheran World Almanac and Annual Encyclopedia). It is to be directed by the Council itself in consultation with the statistical authorities of the General Bodies. With reference to General Bodies not supporting the National Lutheran Council, it may seek co-operation with their statistical authorities.

3. *Reference Library*—A center of valuable information for the Church in general.

4. *Publicity*—(Note: This includes publicity not primarily for the National Lutheran Council but for the whole Lutheran Church and for the General Bodies in particular; also the development of the idea of publicity among the Lutheran congregations, the publication of literature designed not to teach but to promote knowledge of the Lutheran Church, the supervision of general Lutheran anniversaries and similar occasions in which the General Bodies are interested.)

5. Additional items of regular work may be undertaken only with the specific consent of the General Bodies which support the National Lutheran Council.

D.—Emergency Work.

1. To bring physical help to Lutherans in countries affected by war, famine and other calamities.

2. As far as possible to extend to groups, which, according to their confession, are true Lutherans, the material aid which is essential to the reconstruction of their Church work.

3. In co-operation with the Foreign Missions Conference to sustain by gifts and loans Lutheran Missionary Societies in different countries, which without this help from America would be ruined or at least hampered

in their mission. For the purpose of this emergency work the National Lutheran Council may, until the emergency is past, hold membership in the Lutheran Foreign Missions Conference.

4. To operate for the General Bodies in any new emergencies which may arise. This may be done, however, only with the consent of the ad interim executive authorities of the General Bodies.

5. Whenever any emergency work is to be conducted it shall be carried on by a separate Emergency Department of the National Lutheran Council in case it can not be done by the executive office itself. The special department is to be discontinued as soon as the emergency ceases.

E.—Finances for Regular Work.

It is estimated that the cost of this service to the Church will be $30,000 per year. In accordance with the Articles of Agreement (No. XV.) this amount shall be apportioned upon the General Bodies which support the National Lutheran Council, beginning January 1, 1923.

F.—Finances of Emergency Work.

1. The present Emergency shall be arranged as soon as possible so that it will be carried on to its conclusion entirely by a special department of the National Lutheran Council. The National Lutheran Council expresses its conviction that the Relief Work in Europe should be continued and recommends to the participating Bodies that an appeal for funds be made.

2. All new emergencies which may arise and which are to be cared for by the National Lutheran Council, in accordance with D, 4 and 5 above, shall be financed by special methods which are to be consented to by the ad interim executive authorities of the General Bodies.

VI.—Emergency Fund.

Taking into account

a. Above statement on finances;

b. The re-statement of purpose and scope;

c. The action of the U. L. C. in 1920, recognizing the need of a total of $5,000,000 for European Relief and Reconstruction, payable by the Churches in four annual installments;

d. The large shortcoming in raising the quotas for 1921-22; it will be patent that it would have been far better not to have undertaken the work in Europe at all if it is to be abandoned for lack of support by the Churches at a stage when history would have to record such abandonment, coming at a crucial time, as having raised false hopes in the breasts of their fellow believers in the countries of Europe, including Russia and the Foreign Mission Stations; and that these hopes were wrecked just short of the re-establishment of the Lutheran Faith as a force in the civilization of the world. It will be equally patent that if the work, so earnestly undertaken and zealously supported by the American Lutheran Church through the agency of the National Lutheran Council, is to be carried on at all, or systematically, it will be immediately imperative that the emergency fund

of the National Lutheran Council be generously replenished through the channels created and accepted for its administration. It must be patent also that any diversion of such relief funds from the accepted channels of administration and used for synodical, congregational, or individual local application will militate against a true, systematic, ecclesiastical reconstruction of the whole system of the Lutheran Church organization, and the re-establishment of the faith with any promise of cohesion and permanence.

Surely American Lutherans are not so shortsighted, and the restless scramble for material wealth can not so harden Lutheran hearts against the needs of their brethren, that now we become reckless toward the completion of a work so auspiciously begun, and render the gifts our people gave useless, if not absolutely inimical to a fructification of the seed of hope which we have sown.

In this behalf, therefore, based upon the most careful and conservative estimates made by those who are in direct contact with the European Lutheran needs, the National Lutheran Council emergency fund will have to be augmented immediately, or not later than January 1, 1923, by a sum of at least $850,000. Some of the participating Bodies have already approved the appeal for this emergency fund. The appeal from the National Lutheran Council came to the Executive Board of our United Lutheran Church, where it was approved and the matter of amount and time referred to our Commission (Minutes Executive Board, July 11, 12, 1922, p. 223, paragraph 3).

In making our recommendations concerning this appeal to the congregations of the United Lutheran Church, we have to keep in mind (a) the lateness of the convention of 1922; (b) the already determined Every-Member-Canvass during Thanksgiving week, which should not be interfered with nor connected with any other matter; (c) the necessity for having the monies to be contributed by our congregations in the Treasury of the National Lutheran Council not later than January 1, 1923; and, (d) the possibility of attaining, if our pastors will earnestly present the matter to their people and hold the ingathering of such funds between December 1 and the Christmas Holidays of 1922.

RECOMMENDATIONS: In the consideration of this report, the following action is respectfully recommended:

1. The United Lutheran Church commends the work of the National Lutheran Council, especially in the matter of European Relief and Reconstruction, and gives voice to its appreciation of the signally devoted labors and personal sacrifices of our own Dr. J. A. Morehead and his co-workers in Europe.

2. The United Lutheran Church approves and accepts the Amplifying Statement in regard to ARTICLE II of the Regulations Governing the N. L. C. reported in Paragraph II of this report.

3. The United Lutheran Church has learned with satisfaction of the

undertakings of the National Lutheran Council, as the agency for its participating Bodies, to promote an International Lutheran Convention at an early date in co-operation with the Allgemeine Ev. Lutherische Konferenz and the Lutherische Bund; and approves of the tentative program of matters to be discussed in such Convention.

In this behalf, also, the United Lutheran Church deems it important that

(a) In determining the personnel of the membership of such International Lutheran Convention, the representatives from the United States and Canada shall be appointed by the General Bodies of Lutherans which decide to be represented in the Convention. The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America is hereby authorized to make such appointments on behalf of that Church.

(b) In view of the variances in Organization of the Church in different Countries, and the desirability that the delegates to such Convention shall be men whose participation will carry weight in their own Church Bodies, as well as being representative of the best interests of true, confessional, and historical Lutheranism, the United Lutheran Church urges the favorable consideration of a workable plan of "mixed" membership; i. e., in part official, and in part unofficial: the Churches so organized that they can appoint delegates to make such appointments, and the Churches not so organized to be represented by unofficial delegates who may be chosen by groups within the Churches.

(c) That the Organized Churches who will appoint delegates undertake to defray the expenses of such appointees to enable them to be in attendance upon all the sessions of such International Convention, and render full report to the Bodies they represent.

(d) That the President and the Executive Board be authorized at the proper time to appoint representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the general committee of arrangements.

4. The United Lutheran Church appreciates and approves the reported "Re-statement of Purpose and Scope of the Council" (vid. V, above).

5. For the financing of the "Regular Work" of the National Lutheran Council, the United Lutheran Church apportions upon its constituency the amount of $20,000 to be paid, through regular channels of transmission and accounting, into the Treasury of the National Lutheran Council, beginning January 1, 1923.

6. Recognizing the immediate need for "Emergency Funds" to enable the Church, through the National Lutheran Council, to continue the much needed work begun for Relief and Re-construction in Europe and in Foreign Mission Lands of the Church, the United Lutheran Church approves the special appeal of the National Lutheran Council for a minimum sum of $850,000, and will attempt to raise its proportions of this amount, urging upon all its constituent synods and congregations and requesting all synodical officers and pastors to inaugurate the necessary measures for the intelligent

information of all our people and the ingathering and transmission of their generous gifts for this purpose between December 1 and the Christmas Holidays of the present year. (Ample literature for information can be had upon application to the offices of the N. L. C., 437 Fifth Avenue, New York City.)

7. The United Lutheran Church will continue its commission to represent it in the National Lutheran Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. WELLER, *Chairman,*
On behalf of the Commission.

It was moved and carried that the Rev. J. A. Morehead, Commissioner of the National Lutheran Council, who has been in charge of the relief work in Europe be heard. Dr. Morehead spoke feelingly of the suffering and need in Russia and other European countries and of the splendid results accomplished through the relief work done by the Churches in America, made special reference to the international Lutheran consciousness which had been created, and the enthusiasm with which the Churches of Europe are planning for the Lutheran World Convention at Eisenach in 1923.

The recommendations of the report of the Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council were then considered seriatim. Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 (a, b, c) were adopted.

Dr. C. M. Jacobs moved the insertion of the following as item d':

"That the President and the Executive Board be authorized at the proper time to appoint representatives of the United Lutheran Church in the general committee of arrangements."

On motion the item was adopted.

Recommendations 4, 5, 6 and 7 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Special Committee of Tellers for the election of President and Secretary reported. The report having shown that the Rev. F. H. Knubel had received a very large majority of the votes cast for President, a motion was made and carried that the Secretary cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for Dr. Knubel. There being no objection the Secretary cast the ballot and Dr. Knubel was declared elected President.

The newly elected President expressed his thanks and appealed

to the members of the Convention for their hearty co-operation during the coming biennium.

The Tellers reported that the Rev. M. G. G. Scherer had received a majority of votes cast for the office of Secretary. Thereupon the Chair declared Dr. Scherer elected.

The Rev. J. A. Singmaster presented the report of the Common Service Book Committee as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMON SERVICE BOOK COMMITTEE

Two general meetings of the committee were held, January 13, 1921, and February 21, 1922, both at the Seminary at Mt. Airy. At the first meeting the Rev. Dr. J. A. Singmaster was elected Chairman, and the Rev. Dr. L. D. Reed, Secretary.

The committee suggested to the Publication Board the desirability of more substantial bindings in all editions of the Common Service Book.

The committee considered the advisability of including in the Occasional Services a Form for the Reception of Members from Other Churches, and has under consideration a form proposed.

A New Hymnal for Church Societies.

The committee considered the question referred to it by the United Lutheran Church (Minutes, 1920, p. 337), of publishing a small collection of "Hymns and Prayers," and decided to issue such a book. A sub-committee consisting of the Rev. Drs. Reed (Chairman), Clutz, Bauslin, Strodach and Ohl, prepared the material, which was carefully revised by the General Committee and publication authorized. The manuscript which is now in press, contains one hundred and fifty hymns, fifty Collects and Prayers, various Orders of Service, and a brief selection of Psalms, with indexes, etc. Many of the hymns are standard hymns of the Church found in the Common Service Book, but a large number of newer and lighter hymns and melodies are included. The Prayers, many of which are entirely new, cover all aspects of Church work, Missions in all its departments, Christian Education, Brotherhoods, etc. Representatives of the Women's Missionary Society, the Luther League and other leaders in Church activities, co-operated in the selection of material. The book will appear under the title, "Hymns and Prayers for Church Societies and Assemblies," and it is hoped that it will be found serviceable in the work of our societies, leagues, brotherhoods, Bible classes, summer schools and assemblies, and other organizations and activities of the Church.

The Family Service Book.

Work on the Family Service Book is steadily progressing. The committee has considered a large amount of carefully prepared material pre-

sented in a printed proof copy by the sub-committee on this work, the Rev. Drs. Strodach (Chairman), A. T. Steinhaeuser, and E. K. Bell. The plan of the book provides brief Orders of Service for the morning and evening of each day in the week, with versicles, brief lessons and collects or prayers, concluding with the Lord's Prayer. The sub-committee has been authorized to complete the work, and after consultation with advisory members of the General Committee, to publish the book.

A Proposed Intersynodical Hymnal.

The Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church having referred the invitation of the Lutheran Intersynodical Hymnal Committee to the United Lutheran Church to appoint representatives authorized to join in the preparation of material for a proposed new Common Hymnal to the Common Service Book Committee for an opinion, the committee replied that in its judgment it would be inadvisable for the United Lutheran Church to accept this invitation at this time. Our own Hymnal has been completed so recently, after many years of labor, that neither our own people nor the representatives of other Bodies should be given the impression that we are dissatisfied with our book or with the principles which determined its preparation. To enter officially upon the preparation of another Hymnal at this time would, we believe, give such a wrong impression, and would interfere with the further introduction of the Common Service Book in our own congregations.

The committee authorized the publication of a paper prepared by the Rev. Dr. H. E. Jacobs, discussing the principles and some of the processes by which the Hymnal of the Common Service Book had been prepared.

The committee presents no recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Singmaster, *Chairman.*
Luther D. Reed, *Secretary.*

The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Church Music was presented by the Rev. J. F. Ohl and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHURCH MUSIC

The committee met for organization in Philadelphia, January 11, 1920, and elected the Rev. J. F. Ohl, Mus. D., as Chairman, and the Rev. Prof. E. E. Fischer, D.D., as Secretary-Treasurer. Letters embodying various recommendations were read from members unable to attend the meeting.

A sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman, the Rev. Prof. L. D. Reed, D.D., Rev. G. C. Rees, D.D., Mr. Harry A. Sykes and Mr. Harold K. Marks, was appointed to arrange for the holding of Convocations wherever feasible.

This committee was also instructed to confer with Committees on Summer Schools throughout the United Lutheran Church with a view to securing a place on the programs of all such schools for the presentation and discussion of subjects within the province of the Committee on Church Music.

It was also resolved that the Chairman act as a committee of one to consult with the Editorial Board of *The Lutheran* regarding the advisability and possibility of conducting a department in said paper devoted to the interests of Church Music. For the present such an arrangement cannot be effected.

The committee further resolved to continue the consideration of the advisability of publishing a journal devoted to the interests of Church Music, Liturgics, Church Art and Architecture, and sub-committees were appointed to present the matter to the Common Service Book Committee and the Committee on Church Architecture. This was done, but so far no result has been achieved.

At the request of the Rev. John Schmieder, and with the very hearty co-operation of the Central Canada and the Canada Synods, an unusually successful Convocation was held in St. Matthew's Church, Kitchener, June 15, 1921. A wide interest has been aroused; pastors, organists, choir leaders and others were in attendance from all parts of the province; a chorus of 125 voices had carefully prepared the music, and the result, as remarked by one of the local papers, was to place the Convocation in the "forefront of such events." At the morning session Dr. Reed spoke on "The Church Services and Their Music," after which the service music was rehearsed. In the afternoon the Chairman of the committee read a paper on "The Music of the Congregational Hymn," tracing its history from the Reformation to the present, enumerating what must be its characteristics as a proper vehicle for worship, and setting forth the principles upon which the tunes of the Common Service Book were selected. This paper was practically illustrated by the choir with representative selections from the Common Service Book, embracing tunes of Plain Song, German, English and American origin.

In the evening, under the direction of Dr. Rees, a full Choral Vesper Service was held, based on the Church Year, introducing another set of tunes after each of the lessons, and four choir numbers. With the large church filled to its capacity, and the choir in splendid form, the deep impression made by this service will not soon be forgotten. It was worship in the truest sense—a revelation of the potent influence the best type of Church music can have in inciting the heart to genuine devotion.

The organist at all the sessions was Mr. William Benbow of the committee, but unstinted praise must be given to Mr. Otto G. Smith, organist and choir director of St. Matthew's, and Mrs. Schmidt, director of St. John's choir, Waterloo, for their excellent work in the preliminary training of the large chorus.

Negotiations for the holding of Convocations at a number of other places have so far remained fruitless, but may lead to results in the near future. The committee feels convinced that if events similar to the one at Kitchener could be held in different important centers the resultant improvement in congregational and choir music and in the entire conduct of the Church's worship, would in a short time be most marked.

In this connection the committee deplores the fact that in many of our Sunday Schools so-called hymn books and festival programs are used whose character and contents are by no means in accord with Lutheran principles and practice. Instead of leading to a healthy development of the child's devotional life, and training it subsequently to take an intelligent part in the Church's worship, these publications foster a wrong spirit and educate *away* from the Church. It is a mistake to assume that children delight only in sentimental doggerel, and in musical measures reminiscent of the street and the movies. A child has an intuition and love for the best, as has been demonstrated again and again by those who have made a serious effort to teach children worthy hymns and music. Music of the best type is today taught in the public schools, and appreciated by children, while many Sunday Schools still content themselves with the poorest. A change in this respect is therefore very desirable.

Several members of the committee have during the Biennium had opportunity to present the cause of Church and Sunday School Music, and especially the claims of the Common Service Book, at summer schools and conventions of various kinds. Members of the committee are always ready to respond to calls of this kind.

The committee again asks for an appropriation of $400.

Approved by the committee this report is respectfully submitted.

J. F. Ohl, *Chairman.*
E. E. Fischer, *Secretary.*

The Rev. G. L. Kieffer, Secretary of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee, presented the report of that Committee.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICAL AND CHURCH YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE

The following are the members of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee of the United Lutheran Church in America for the biennium 1920-22:

Rev. Ellis B. Burgess, D.D., Chairman, 23 Chestnut St., Crafton, Pa.
Rev. G. L. Kieffer, Secretary-Treasurer, Rosedale, L. I., N. Y.
Rev. W. M. Kopenhaver, Macungie, Pa.
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Rev. C. W. Cassell, Mt. Sidney, Va.

Mr. George Hemsing, Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., Plankinton Arcade, Milwaukee, Wis.

The following served as Statistical Secretaries of the Constitutent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America during the biennium 1920-22:

	1920	1921
Ministerium of Pa.	Rev. Ira F. Frankenfield	Rev. Ira F. Frankenfield
Ministerium of N. Y.	Rev. D. W. Peterson	Rev. B. Mehrtens
*Synod of N. C.	Rev. G. L. Lingle	
*Synod of Tenn.	Rev. E. H. Kohn, Ph.D.	
United Synod of N. C.		Rev. E. H. Kohn, Ph.D.
Synod of Md	Rev. W. G. Minnick	Rev. W. G. Minnick
Synod of S. C.	Rev. H. S. Petrea	Rev. H. S. Petrea
Synod of W. Pa.	Rev. Paul S. Wagner	Rev. David S. Martin
Synod of Va	Rev. J. L. Smith	Mr. Harry E. Pugh, 105 Lancaster Rd., Richmond, Va.
Synod of Ohio	Mr. Amor W. Ulrici	Mr. Amor W. Ulrici, 3747 Elsmere Ave., Norwood, O.
E. Pa. Synod	Rev. J. D. Krout	Rev. J. D. Krout
Alleghany Synod	Rev. W. A. H. Streamer	Rev. W. A. H. Streamer
Sw. Va. Synod	Rev. T. C. Parker	Rev. J. L. Smith
Pittsburgh Synod	Rev. Geo. H. Schnur, D.D.	Rev. Geo. H. Schnur, D.D.
Indiana Synod	Mr. H. H. Combs	Mr. H. H. Combs, Shepherdsville, Ky.
Illinois Synod	Mr. Frederick Sachse	Mr. Frederick Sachse, 5510 Magnolia Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Texas Synod	Rev. K. Kern	Rev. J. C. A. Pfenninger
Synod of C. Pa.	Rev. John F. Harkins	Rev. John F. Harkins
Mississippi Synod	Rev. J. I. Coiner	Rev. J. I. Coiner
Synod of Iowa	Rev. M. A. Getzendaner	Rev. C. N. Swihart, D.D.
Michigan Synod	Rev. Wm. J. Boatman	Rev. S. L. Boger
Synod of Georgia	Rev. A. W. Ballentine	Rev. P. C. Sigmon
Holston Synod	Rev. H. G. Davis	Rev. E. B. Smith
Synod of Canada	Rev. O. Stockmann	Rev. O. Stockmann
Susquehanna Synod	Rev. F. R. Greninger	Rev. F. R. Greninger
Synod of Kansas	Rev. R. J. Wolf	Rev. R. J. Wolf
Synod of Nebraska	Rev. G. B. Weaver	Rev. G. B. Weaver
Wartburg Synod	Rev. F. W. Schneider	Rev. F. W. Schneider
†Ger. Nebr. Synod	Rev. F. Rabe	Rev. F. Rabe
Synod of California	Rev. J. E. Hoick	Rev. J. E. Hoick
Rocky Mt. Synod	Rev. N. J. Myers	Rev. H. I. Kohler
Synod of Northwest	Rev. L. F. Gruber, D.D.	Rev. L. F. Gruber, D.D.
Manitoba Synod	Rev. E. Tuerkheim	Rev. E. Tuerkheim
Pacific Synod	Rev. W. R. Kraxberger	Rev. W. R. Kraxberger
N. Y. and N. E. Synod	Rev. E. M. Grahn	Rev. E. M. Grahn
Nova Scotia Synod	Rev. S. W. Hirtle	Rev. S. W. Hirtle
Synod of N. Y.	Rev. W. G. Boomhower	Rev. W. G. Boomhower
Cent. Can. Synod	Rev. E. Huenergard	Rev. E. Huenergard
Synod of W. Va.	Rev. S. S. Adams	Rev. S. S. Adams
‡Slo. Luth. "Zion" Syn.	Rev. Matej. F. Benko	Rev. John M. Bellan

*Merged into United Synod of North Carolina in 1921.

†Rev. Gustav Duhrkop, Acting Statistical Secretary for the German-Nebraska Synod during the three summer months in 1922.

‡Rev. John Zabadal, Acting Statistical Secretary for the Slovak Lutheran "Zion" Synod during the summer of 1922.

The committee held two meetings during the biennium. The first was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, Ill., January 12, 1921. The second meeting was held in the offices of the United Lutheran Church, 437 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., March 10, 1922. The following members were present at each of these meetings: Dr. Ellis B. Burgess, Rev. W. M Kopenhaver, Dr. Geo. H. Schnur, Rev. M. G. L. Rietz, and Rev. G. L. Kieffer. The following men were prevented from attending either of the meetings: Dr. M. G. G. Scherer, on account of previous engagements; Rev. C. W. Cassell, on account of illness; Mr. George Hemsing, on account of previous business engagements.

At the first meeting it was decided that the Statistical Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America for the present be not required to give all his time to the work.

The attention of the Constitutent Synods of the United Lutheran Church was called to Recommendations 4 and 5, as found in the Washington Convention Minutes, pp. 348-349; and any failure in the use of the Standard Parochial Blank was pointed out.

Rev. W. M. Kopenhaver was nominated for Editor of the "Lutheran Church Year Book", and the Board of Publication was so notified.

On February 18, 1921, the Secretary of the Committee, Rev. G. L. Kieffer, was notified that at a meeting of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, held February 10, 1921, he had been elected Statistical Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America, at a salary of Five Hundred Dollars ($500) per annum.

Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheet.

The committee, mindful of Recommendation No. 7 as adopted at the Washington Convention and found on page 349 in the Minutes, considered all the various recommendations received by the committee pertaining to the improvement of the Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheet.

An Assembly Sheet, to consist of forty-one (41) lines, was adopted by the committee, for the use of the Statistical Secretaries of the Constitutent Synods, during the biennium of 1920-22.

The committee also adopted a plan for a Standard Parochial Blank to consist of a Pastor's Worksheet and a Pastor's Assembly Sheet, to be made up in the form of a four-page folder—of a size to be folded so as to fit into a No. 9 envelope.

The names and the order of rubrics on both the Assembly Sheet and the Standard Parochial Blank were made to agree so that the rubrics appearing on the Assembly Sheet and the rubrics appearing on the Standard Parochial Blank were of the same name and also had the same place and order on both blanks.

The committee also formulated and adopted a Pastor's Worksheet, which had the same primary rubrics and followed the same order as those on the Assembly Sheet and the Standard Parochial Blank.

By action of the committee the Publication Board was requested to print one thousand (1,000) Assembly Sheets and eighteen thousand (18,000) Standard Parochial Blanks for the biennium 1920-22; and was at the same time requested to destroy all old Assembly Sheets and Parochial Blanks.

By action of the committee, the Chairman and the Secretary of the Committee prepared and sent to the United Lutheran Publication House directions for mailing the Standard Parochial Blanks and Assembly Sheets for 1921 and 1922, providing in these directions, that the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods would have sufficient Standard Parochial Blanks to send to the pastors two blanks for every congregation; and, a sufficient number of Assembly Sheets for the use of the Statistical Secre-

taries of the Constituent Synods. At the same time the Secretary informed the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods that they could secure an additional number of Standard Parochial Blanks and Assembly Sheets as their need might require. A number of Statistical Secretaries thus received additional quantities for the years 1921 and 1922.

Your committee provided for the use of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America 8,408 Standard Parochial Blanks and 409 Assembly Sheets for the year 1921, and 8,605 Standard Parochial Blanks and 415 Assembly Sheets for the year 1922—making a grand total of 17,013 Standard Parochial Blanks and 824 Assembly Sheets for the biennium.

When the committee assembled for its second meeting it received from the Statistical Secretary a report as to the use of the Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheets by the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America in the printed Minutes for the year 1921. The Statistical Secretary reported that 21 Synods had adopted the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet in its entirety; 9 Synods had modified the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet by the omission of one or more rubrics, and in some cases by the addition of other rubrics; 5 Synods had not adopted the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet in 1921, but at least one of these has adopted the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet for 1922; the Minutes of two Synods did not contain Parochial Reports at all; one Synod did not print any Minutes.

The Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet being designed for placing 41 lines to a page, it is interesting to note that ten Constituent Synods having more than 41 congregations placed less than 41 lines on a page. It is also interesting to note that 15 Synods which have adopted the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet succeeded in getting all the rubrics of the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet on two pages, while 3 Constituent Synods which have adopted the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet took more than two pages.

It also should be noted that 5 Constituent Synods printed their report vertically on the page, some requiring as high as six pages, with as few as 59 lines to the page. Four pages would have been sufficient had the report been placed crosswise on the page. Six Constituent Synods did not print their Parochial Report in the body of their Minutes, but had it on a large sheet similar to the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet, and had this sheet pasted in the back of the Minutes.

Various inconsistencies as to the number of lines or congregations reported on one page as compared with the number of lines or congregations reported on succeeding pages were noted for five Constituent Synods. The most striking was one of the Constituent Synods which used 24 lines on one page and on the opposite page placed 46 lines as a continuation of the rubrics.

The committee, after examining the report as to the character of the Parochial Statistics appearing in the printed Minutes of the Constituent

Synods, passed definite recommendations, which are herewith submitted as part of this report. They also requested the Secretary to communicate with the United Lutheran Publication House, pointing out ways in which the Publication House could aid in carrying out the United Lutheran Church's plan for uniformity in Minutes of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Parochial Statistics.

At the second meeting the Statistical Secretary presented the Assembled Parochial Statistics for all the Constituent Synods for the year 1921. This report is appended herewith.

As per instructions of the Committee to the Statistical Secretary, every effort will be made to secure the completed assembled Parochial Statistics for the Constituent Synods for the year 1922 in time for the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America to include the same in the Minutes of the Buffalo Convention, as was done in the Minutes of the Washington Convention. As some of the Constituent Synods hold their 1922 meetings after the Buffalo Convention, this report will only be made possible through the full co-operation of the Statistical Secretaries of these Constituent Synods. It is very desirable that this report should be finished in time for inclusion in the Minutes of the Buffalo Convention in order that the complete Parochial Reports for the biennium 1920-22 may be contained in these Minutes.

Recommendations for Improvement of the Parochial Blank.

Various letters were read from the Presidents and Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods containing recommendations and criticisms for improvement of the Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheet. They were all carefully considered by the committee.

It was found by the committee that it was impossible to make any corrections or changes in the Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheet that had to be used during the year 1922. This was evident from the fact that the supply of Standard Parochial Blanks and Assembly Sheets for the year 1922 was prepared and printed at the time that the blanks for the year 1921 were prepared and printed. In the second place, it was found necessary to immediately mail the Assembly sheets and Standard Parochial Blanks for the use of the Constituent Synods in gathering their statistics for the meetings of 1922.

These recommendations, having been tabulated, will be presented to the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee when the new supply of Standard Parochial Blanks and Assembly Sheets will be prepared for the biennium of 1922-24.

The Lutheran Church Year Book.

Concerning the "Lutheran Church Year Book", the committee took the following action:

Resolved, 1. *That it is the sense of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee that the names of only United Lutheran Church ministers shall appear in the clerical register of the "Lutheran Church Year Book."*

2. *That instead of the general matter printed in the Lutheran Church Year Book of* 1922, *pp.* 21-32, *there be published in concise form, articles of report and appeal from the various institutions, boards, and committees, and activities of the United Lutheran Church in America. The following outline for such articles was suggested:*

What we have accomplished in the past.
What we hope to do this year.
How you can help us.

Concerning statistics covering the work of boards and committees, it was felt that the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee at present should emphasize the Parochial Statistics, and through the Editor of the "Lutheran Church Year Book", as per above motion, secure from the various boards, committees, women's organizations, brotherhoods, and young people's societies, such reports and statistics which they will be able to use in the presentation of their report and appeal to the United Lutheran Church in America through the "Lutheran Church Year Book".

The Editor of the Year Book was instructed to secure some general statistics pertaining to the Lutheran Church in America, not of the United Lutheran Church in America, and incorporate them in the Year Book.

The Committee also voted to have the name of the Year Book changed from the "Lutheran Church Year Book" to the "Year Book of the United Lutheran Church in America." The Secretary of the Committee was later notified that the United Lutheran Publication House had agreed to such a change in name for the 1923 Year Book.

Synodical Periodicals.

The Committee examined the synodical periodicals of South Carolina, Mississippi, New York, Ohio, West Pennsylvania, United Virginia, and Pittsburgh Synods, and unanimously agreed that these synodical periodicals present to the Statistical Secretaries great opportunities for the presentation of the facts concerning the work of their respective Synods.

Buffalo Convention.

The Chairman of the Committee corresponded with the Presidents of all the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America concerning the importance of having the most capable men for statistical secretaries and keeping them permanently in office.

A conference of the Statistical Secretaries at the time of the Buffalo Convention was announced, and the Presidents were urged to secure the presence of the Statistical Secertaries, either as delegates or visitors.

For the Statistical Exhibit at the Buffalo Convention the Secretary was requested to prepare a large wall chart of the Parochial Report of the United Lutheran Church in America for 1921, and a historical graph showing the genesis and history of the United Lutheran Church in America

synodically, and a chart showing the statistics for the various periods in the history of the Lutheran Church in America, beginning with 1748.

The Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America were urged to avail themselves of the opportunity which the Statistical Exhibit of the Buffalo Convention afforded for their Synod.

Dr. Geo. H. Schnur was requested to prepare a graph illustrating the "Benevolent Dollar of the United Lutheran Church in America."

Recommendations to the United States Census Bureau.

The Secretary of this Committee was instructed to recommend to the Director of the United States Census certain specified items with respect to the religious census:

(1) That the classification of Churches be along denominational lines, with sub-divisions for separate corporate bodies, as for example: Lutherans (with twenty-one Synods); Methodists (with fifteen Bodies); Baptists (with fifteen Bodies); Presbyterians (with ten Bodies), etc.

(2) That all denominations be asked to furnish their membership, both of baptized and of confirmed or communicants, besides males and females in each case.

(3) That all the educational work of the Churches be tabulated—parochial schools, summer schools, Saturday schools, Gary schools, confirmation instruction, as well as Sunday schools; and certain specified items with respect to the regular census:

(1) What religious denomination do you belong to?
(2) What religious denomination did your father belong to?
(3) What religious denomination did your mother belong to?
(4) If not a member, what religious denomination do you prefer?

Summary.

The Statistical Secretary and Committee have supplied the statistics for the 1922 and 1923 Year Books. In securing the Parochial Statistics as well as the statistics of institutions, the Statistical Secretary has had the best of co-operation from the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America. The work of these Statistical Secretaries without doubt has been hard, as has also no doubt that of the Pastors in using the Standard Pastors' Parochial Blank.

The reason for all this it is not necessary to go far to find. If the United Lutheran Church in America and all its Constituent Synods will adopt a uniform system of parish and congregational records, the work will be simplified and the problem of uniform statistics will be solved. This will be especially true if uniform fiscal years paralleling the calendar year will be used throughout the entire Lutheran Church in America. It is only necessary to examine the Parochial Reports in the Minutes of the various Constituent Synods to note the lack of uniformity in the system of keeping parish records. Blank after blank occurs.

In gathering the 1921 statistics, the Statistical Secretary submitted to the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods 38 Assembly Sheets for the summary of their statistics, and was thus enabled to prepare the assembled Parochial Report for the United Lutheran Church in America for the second meeting of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee, prior to the appearance of some of the printed minutes. These reports were later compared with the reports in the printed minutes. Necessary corrections were noted and a report was submitted to the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods for their final approval.

It was discovered, by the comparison of these reports, that some of the rubrics did not properly balance which resulted in the totals not balancing. At the same time many congregations were found with blanks and only certain rubrics reported. In some cases the congregations were included in the printed minutes and a blank line was left—no report being given at all.

The Statistical Secretary then called the attention of the Statistical Secretaries of all the Constituent Synods to the reports of the congregations having blank spaces for "Baptized Membership," "Confirmed Membership," and the "No. of Sunday Schools" in the printed Minutes for 1921—at the same time giving the printed reports for the same congregations for 1919 and 1920—asking the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods to check these particular rubrics and do the best they could to give the facts for the year 1921. The result of this check-up added

14,279 "Baptized Members,"
2,130 "Confirmed Members,"
301 "Sunday Schools"

to the total of the reports as printed in the 1921 minutes of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America. In all probability the reason for these blank spaces can be found in the method of keeping local congregational records.

Every rubric could have been similarly checked. It is hoped that the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America will make every effort in the future to have some report for every rubric for every congregation. A zero should be inserted in the space where the congregation has no facts for the rubric. In this way, anyone examing the printed reports will know that the blank is not there because the congregation failed to report facts which they might have reported.

The Parochial Report shows a total of 1,147,007 "Baptized Members"—a gain of 29,069 over 1920—and a "Confirmed Membership" of 801,250. By applying the statistical rule for estimating the baptized membership when the confirmed membership is given; i. e., using 60% of the baptized members to equal the confirmed members, the United Lutheran Church in America should have a "Baptized Membership" of 1,335,000. That this number of baptized members has not been reported is largely due to the manner of keeping parish records, and especially to the fact that unconfirmed baptized

children that properly belong to the pastoral care of the congregations and yet are not on the rolls of the congregations as having been baptized in that particular congregation are not counted.

By taking the 8,921 loss of children, "Otherwise," that occurred in addition to the deaths of unconfirmed baptized children from the 11,773 unconfirmed baptized children that were counted by some of the congregations under "Accessions—Children—Otherwise," a net gain of 2,852 was hereby added to the "Baptized Membership," proving that a mere count of infant baptisms does not fully report all the unconfirmed children baptized in other congregations that during the year came under the pastoral care of the particular congregation making the report.

The Parochial Report shows the following:

	1921	1920	Gain
Baptized Membership	1,147.007	1,117,938	29,069
Confirmed Membership	801,250	791,400	9,850
Communing Membership	597,768	580,018	17,750
Current Expenses	$6,621,268	$5,630,943	$99,315
Unusual Expenses	3,835,135	2,968,750	866,385
Total Benevolence	3,341,792	2,252,788	89,004
Total Expenditures	13,798,195	11,671,606	2,116,589

Confirmed Membership Per Capita	1921
Current Expenses	$8.26
Unusual Expenses	4.79
Total Benevolence	4.17
Total Expenditures	17.22

It is interesting to note that there is a decrease in the "Adult Losses," and a gain for every rubric with the exception of "No. of Cathechumens," "No. of Deaconess Students," "No. of Students in Lutheran Institutions," "No. of Students in non-Lutheran Institutions," "Amount of Endowment," and "Amount of Unapportioned Benevolence Given for Education and Other Benevolence," which show a decrease.

A Table of Comparative Parochial Statistics for the three years, 1919, 1920, and 1921 is herewith appended.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That all Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America be hereby requested to have their Minutes printed in uniform size and style.

2. That those Constituent Synods which have modified the Standard Parochial Assembly Sheet of the United Lutheran Church in America be requested to conform their practice to the Standard.

3. That, recognizing that the statistics of many congregations are imperfect, the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee of the United Lutheran Church in America raises the question of the advisability of a statistician for every congregation, and hereby recommends to the consideration of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church the adoption of uniform parish records in order that the Pastors may have records that will enable them to use the Standard Parochial Blank.

4. That in view of repeated requests from all parts of the Church, this committee recommends that the fiscal year for all organizations, congregations, synods, boards, and committees of the United Lutheran Church in America be made concurrent with the calendar year—ending December 31st each year, and that all published reports and statistics be of the date of December 31st of the previous year, thereby aiding the effort for uniform and accurate statistics in the United Lutheran Church.

5. That the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America print their parochial reports crosswise on the page and not vertically, using only two pages for all the rubrics, thereby having opportunity to make use of 41 lines to a page; and that all parochial reports contain a summary in which a total is given for the Synod for the year covered by the report together with a total for the preceding year and a comparative statement of increase and decrease under all rubrics.

6. That the Committee be authorized to print a folder to be sent to the Pastors through the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America with the 1922 Standard Parochial Blanks, explaining to the Pastors the importance of congregational records in the preparation of synodical statistics.

7. That the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America be requested to make provision for the presence of their Statistical Secretaries at future Conventions of the United Lutheran Church in order that they may attend the conference of the Statistical Secretaries at the time of the Convention.

8. That all recommendations for improvement of the Standard Parochial Blank and Assembly Sheet be hereby referred to the consideration of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee of the United Lutheran Church in America in the preparation of the supply of blanks for the biennium of 1922-24.

Respectfully submitted,
Signed:
Rev. E. B. Burgess, D.D.
Rev. G. L. Kieffer.
Rev. W. M. Kopenhaver.
Rev. Geo. H. Schnur, D.D.
Rev. M. G. L. Rietz.
Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, D.D.
Rev. C. W. Cassell.
Mr. George Hemsing.

The Report of the Statistical Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America is embodied in the Report of the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee, herewith submitted. Respectfully,

G. L. Kieffer,
Statistical Secretary of the United
Lutheran Church in America.

Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 adopted. Recommendation 4 referred to the Executive Board with the favorable action of the Convention. Recommendations 5 and 6 adopted. Recommendation 7 amended by the insertion of the words "be requested to" after the word "America" in the second line. Adopted as amended. Recommendation 8 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. H. R. Gold presented the report of the Committee on Publicity which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

The Committee on Publicity held a meeting in Philadelphia, December 4, 1920, to discuss plans for the current biennium. All the members but three were present. Among the subjects discussed were: paid church advertising, publicity of Board and Committee activities, a handbook on publicity and advertising, a larger use of the Sunday edition of daily papers and the secular magazines, and a budget.

The working budget for the biennium was planned and submitted. The sum of $500 for publicity in connection with the convention in Buffalo was granted.

The committee sent out to all the Synod presidents, and many other officials of the Church, an outline for convention and conference publicity. A number of stories were sent out through the Lutheran Bureau covering the publicity of Synod, Conference and other conventions, meetings of the Executive Board, the sailing of foreign missionaries, etc.

It is gratifying to note a growing interest in Church publicity and advertising which can be stimulated to reach greater effectiveness. The committee is convinced that an investment of several thousand dollars in educating the Church in the methods of publicity and advertising, and in carrying on the practical work of publicity, would be well invested.

Rev. Howard R. Gold,
Rev. C. K. Fegley,
Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D.,
Rev. A. E. Wagner, D.D., Ph. D.
Dr. William J. Showalter,
Rev. E. H. Delk, D.D.,
Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph.D.,
Rev. M. L. Canup,
Rev. C. L. Fry, D.D.,
Rev. W. H. Stutts, D.D.,
Mr. Jesse R. Hildebrand,
Rev. H. Moehling.

Session closed with prayer by the Rev. G. A. Benze.

Evening Service

At eight o'clock on Monday evening a Pageant of Religious Education was given at Holy Trinity Church, the subject being "The Heritage of the Child." This pageant was presented under the auspices of the Parish and Church School Board. It was written by Mrs. Laura S. Copenhaver. Given by the Young People of the Lutheran Churches of Buffalo. Arranged by Miss Helen Weis. Directed by Miss Jane Keeler. Costumed by Miss Theresa Roehsler. Lighting effects by Mr. A. W. Reiser.

There were approximately one hundred and twenty-five people in the Pageant. The choir of Holy Trinity Church rendered the music.

SIXTH MEETING

Morning Session

Tuesday, October 24th, 8:45.

The Rev. J. H. Meyer conducted devotions.

The Convention was called to order, the Rev. E. B. Burgess, Acting President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the Monday morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved. It was moved and carried, that the Secretary be authorized to print in the Minutes brief reports of the Evening Services.

Tellers' Committee No. 4 reported and the following elections were declared.

Board of Publication

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. S. W. Herman	Dr. S. P. Sadtler
Rev. A. H. Holthusen	Mr. E. G. Hoover
Rev. A. R. Wentz	Mr. A. H. Kohn

The Committee reported that there was one layman yet to be elected for this term.

Board of Education

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. L. F. Gruber	Rev. M. J. Kline
Rev. J. H. Harms	Mr. F. W. Albrecht
Rev. W. M. Horn	Mr. J. M. Snyder

The Committee reported that there was one layman yet to be elected for this term, also one layman for the term expiring 1924.

Parish and Church School Board

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. Wm. Hoppe
Rev. C. P. Wiles
Mr. Wm. C. Stoever

One clergyman yet to be elected for the term expiring 1928.

The Tellers having reported that the election for a clerical member of the Executive Board had been without result, it was moved and carried that the next ballot for the Executive Board be limited to the two who had received the highest votes. These are the Rev. W. H. Greever and Rev. W. D. C. Keiter.

On motion the rule formerly adopted limiting the length of speeches was made to apply to those presenting reports of Boards as well as Committees.

On request of President Knubel business was suspended in order that the Convention might receive the representatives of the Augustana Synod and of the United Norwegian Lutheran Church. Thereupon Dr. G. A. Brandelle and the Rev. O. A. Strom were introduced.

The President appointed the following additional members on the Committee of Tellers No. 4.

Capt. H. M. M. Richards
Mr. C. F. Stifel
Mr. R. B. Wolf
Mr. Grant Hultberg
Mr. G. F. McAllister
Mr. Joseph W. Kahler
George E. Neff, Esq.
Mr. A. F. Sittloh
Mr. A. H. Kohn
Mr. R. C. Counts
Mr. J. S. Etter

The Report of the Inner Mission Board was presented by the Rev. E. F. Bachmann, President of the Board.

REPORT OF THE INNER MISSION BOARD

Brethren:

The Inner Mission Board has been charged with a most delicate, difficult and complicated task. *Delicate*—because its field is within the Church itself, where the greatest tactfulness and patience are required to arouse professed Christians to a realization of their dangerous condition not unlike that in the Church of Laodicea, Rev. 3, 15-19. Unless the Church today hear this first Inner Mission call, coming directly from her Lord in glory, she will fail utterly.

Difficult—because the Inner Mission is a spirit, pervading, vitalizing and prompting the body of believers to action. Our task is not primarily to organize societies, to create new bodies. The final effect may or may not be capable of expression in numbers, in new organizations and institutions, in property values and "converts." Whatever tangible results can be reported by statistics are but a mere fraction of what the Inner Mission may have accomplished. The real fruits of our labors like those of a faithful pastor of a local congregation are known only to the Lord who searcheth the heart. Spiritual work cannot be gauged by material results. In due time these will surely follow. It would, however, be a sad mistake to regard for instance increased benevolence as reliable evidence of increased spirituality. Likewise much may have been accomplished for the spiritual quickening of the Church as a result of Inner Mission efforts inspired or even directed by your Board, of which this Board can report nothing, but of which local groups and the Church at large are already reaping the benefit. It is difficult to do Inner Mission work, and hardly less difficult to report to the satisfaction of everyone; but what has actually been done, has indeed been well worth while.

Complicated—because the Inner Mission problems affect practically every phase of Christian life and relationship. To foster the spiritual life of the congregation is the distinct privilege and task of the local pastor. No Board of the Church may enter that sphere. Yet the more spiritual and conscientious a pastor, the more conscious will he be of his inability to meet adequately the great responsibility resting upon him; and the more gratefully will he welcome any suggestion whatever, coming from a Board charged with the special duty of studying conditions and searching for ways and means to make the religion of Jesus Christ a power in the world for the uplift of mankind. This cannot be done by resolutions of the Church in convention, nor by any mass action, but only through the spiritually quickened individual Christian, filled with the love of Christ and with the power of conquering faith. This distinguishes the Inner Mission fundamentally from other movements for social betterment with which the Inner Mission is frequently confused. For this reason also the singular form of the term, "The Inner Mission," is far more correct and expressive than the plural—"Inner Missions." We are dealing with a spirit rather than with multiform, mutually independent activities. When the idea underlying this term has really been grasped, much will have been gained, even if it were not more than attracting attention and calling forth questions.

The task of your Board is so complicated, however, not because of the necessary distinction of terms and differentiation from similar work by agencies prompted by motives other than the love of Christ, but because our task must consider individuals and groups, congregations and the general body in their manifold and intricate relations to the spiritual and moral, social and industrial life of today with its endless and often danger-

ously acute problems. Were your Inner Mission Board facing a simple, clean-cut task, its magnitude would be a secondary consideration. As it is, almost constantly new phases of the great task are confronting us, demanding action even before an opportunity has been given to find an answer to the fundamental questions—where? when? and how?

The Board seeks your sympathetic understanding of its problems, your realization of the difficulties under which it must labor and your ready response to all efforts to propagate the ideal of real Christ-like service to all men within the Church, out on the great highways and in the hidden byways of our nation.

I. *Organization.*

At the Washington Convention the following members were elected to the Board:

For six years—Rev. W. H. Greever, D.D., Rev. J. L. Neve, D.D., Rev. W. A. Snyder, D.D., Mr. I. Searles Runyon, C. R. Philips, M.D.

For four years—Rev. E. F. Bachmann, D.D., Rev. Walter Krumwiede, Rev. W. H. Bruce Carney, Mr. Philip Weltner, Mr. James Gear.

For two years—Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer, Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D.D., LL.D., Rev. J. F. Ohl, D.D., Mr. Carl Distler, Mr. Horace Bikle.

At the meeting of the Board following this Convention the following officers were elected:

President—Rev. E. F. Bachmann, D.D.

Vice-President—Mr. I. Searles Runyon.

Executive Secretary and Treasurer—Rev. Wm. Freas.

During the biennium the Board has met four times and the Executive Committee twelve times.

The Board suffered a very severe loss in the death of Rev. W. A. Snyder, D.D., who was one of its most valuable and helpful members. Suitable resolutions were prepared and are spread upon the records of the Board. His wise counsel and practical turn of mind have been sorely missed in our councils.

To fill Dr. Snyder's unexpired term the Rev. H. Brueckner was elected to membership on the Board, this election having been ratified by the Executive Board until this Convention.

II. *General.*

The work of the Board was well characterized by the President at a recent meeting in the following way:

The *First Year* was generally devoted to the *Organization* of the Board and the development of machinery by which it might reach our congregations.

The *Second Year* was generally given to the *Study* of our problems.

The *Third Year* was chiefly one of *Propaganda* for the purpose of spreading the ideal among our people.

The *Fourth Year* must of necessity therefore be one of action.

As a matter of course these characteristics overlap and continue.

In seeking such action it at once became apparent that if an attempt were made to cover the whole field but little would be accomplished. It was therefore felt to be wise to select certain special items which should be emphasized at this time. These items were included in a Board Program which is given herewith.

BOARD PROGRAM.

For Synodical Committees.

A survey of their territory to discover those who are uncared for, delinquent, lost, etc. This to include those who are in State, County, private institutions, etc., and all others who are not cared for by the Church.

The sending out of a regular bulletin to the Synodical Committees.

For the Congregation.

A congregational and a community survey.

The use of the Message and other literature of the Board.

Presenting the work.

For the Institution.

A better understanding of and a wider application of the institutional policy of the Church.

General Items.

Educational propaganda and follow-up work along the line of the suggested Synodical Committee organization.

The preparation of literature showing what has been and should be done.

Special Items.

A general Inner Mission Conference now being planned.

The problem of the Downtown Church of Cincinnati.

The problem of the Dawson Home near Aurora, West Virginia.

The Inner Mission on Summer School programs and in Theological Seminaries.

The encouraging of the use of the Lay Reader.

The problem of the Resort Church.

European Visitation by our President—Another matter of large interest and great importance during the biennium has been the visit of our President to many of our European Inner Mission institutions. He was able to visit institutions in England, France, Germany, Austria and Switzerland. In each one it was readily seen that their work was being continued under the gravest kind of difficulty. The self-sacrifice and devotion of leaders and other workers in these institutions is worthy of our emulation. In the variety and even in the methods of the Inner Mission work abroad he found many suggestions of value to us. The Church in Europe is watching with genuine interest the American development of the Inner Mission spirit and activities.

Conferences with Synodical Committees.—To arouse a greater interest the Secretary was instructed by the Board to confer with all the Synodical

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Committees on their own territory. To carry out this instruction trips were made to various parts of this country and Canada and many conferences held. Many things indicated that there is every reason for encouragement in this large field of the work of our Church. In connection with these trips our institutions of mercy were visited and a series of lectures given at our Theological Seminaries.

Synodical Committee Organization—The Board aims to do as much of its work as possible through Synodical Inner Mission Committees. To make their work more effective the various District Synods are divided into districts for each of which one member of the Committee is responsible. It is his duty to keep in touch with the congregations in the section of which he is in charge, to pass on to them the suggestions of the Board and to follow up their progress in attainment. In some of the Committees the readiest response has been found, but others do not yet take their task seriously. As is to be expected some do not function as well as is desired. On the whole noteworthy progress has been made.

Ministerium of Pennsylvania Bureau—A matter of special interest to the Church and one which might well point the way for the activity of other Synods, is the development in the Ministerium of Pennsylvania of an Inner Mission Bureau with an Executive Secretary and several paid helpers. This Bureau has undertaken the practical development of Inner Mission work upon the territory of the Synod. It is particularly active in the matter of Home Finding, having placed forty-six children in private homes in the past year. It is also developing work in the Juvenile Courts. It is encouraging the organization of societies for the doing of local tasks. The work of caring for Lutherans in all public and private institutions is being thoroughly organized.

New York Synods Co-ordinating Committee—Another matter of large interest is the decision by the Committees of the three New York Synods to form a Co-ordinating Inner Mission Committee through which it is hoped the Inner Mission work upon the territory of these Synods may be done. Definite plans are now being worked out and ought to show results in the very near future.

III. *The Activity of the Board.*

The work of the Board is divided into three great parts, each of which is under the direction of a Committee.

1. *The Work of the Congregational Committee.*

Uncared for Lutherans—The major task before this Committee is and always must be the development in the congregation of a sense of responsibility to all who are around it and need the loving service of the congregation. This must always represent the outstanding work to be done by the Board. In accomplishing its purpose, the Board through this Committee is making a survey of the territory of the whole Church. Through Synodical Committees it is seeking to discover where there are

people of our own faith who do not have the care of the Church in State, County, private and other institutions. We have discovered many Lutherans who have been cut off from the ministry of their Church. Through Synodical Committees the effort is being made to bring the Church to these uncared-for ones. While this is the primary aim yet in the effort to care for our own we cannot neglect the care of any who may need our love and service. This survey has discovered that there are many who ought to have the service of the Church who have not been receiving it. As the survey proceeds it will no doubt serve to arouse many parts of our Church to a deeper sense of their responsibility towards those around them.

Migrant Groups—There are many groups of migrant folk which are cut off from the Church. Efforts to have local congregations serve them are being made.

Surveys—The Committee is also urging upon our congregations the use of the Congregational and Community Surveys. Very happy results have followed the use of both of these.

Letters to Pastors—A letter has been sent to all the pastors of the United Lutheran Church urging them to certain definite activity in connection with their congregational work. This is the first of a series of such letters which have been necessarily delayed through the desperate financial condition of the Board.

Downtown Church Problem—A practical matter of very deep interest to the whole Church is the working out of the Downtown Church problem. A sub-committee of men outside of the Board who were thoroughly familiar with this problem was appointed and presented certain findings to the Board. The effort is now being made to work out their plans at St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati. This is a church in a downtown community of working people. The plan includes the raising of funds for the erection of a church and parish house so that this congregation may become an Inner Mission Center for that section of Cincinnati. The plans and the necessary campaign to carry it through have been approved by the Ohio Synod and its Executive Committee. Many difficulties have been met in carrying into effect the plans made. The first step has, however, been made in the congregation itself by the pledging of $23,000. That this is a remarkable achievement is apparent to anyone who understands the situation. In the near future a campaign will be carried on in Cincinnati outside of the congregational territory to bring this amount to $35,000. With the approval of the Synod of Ohio a like amount will then be sought from the congregations of the Synod. This development will be watched with deep interest by the whole Church and will no doubt serve as an inspiration and model to many other downtown congregations which are feeling the stress.

Child Welfare—The Board has been interested in Child Welfare work. It has been in touch through this Committee with the effort to co-ordinate

all the various forms of activity in this connection. Many important developments may be expected in this work in the future.

2. *The Work of the Institutions Committee.*

It is in this department of the work that the largest achievement and encouragement has occurred. During the biennium six new institutions have come into existence. The Old Folks' Home at Clinton, N. Y.—The Home for Delinquents at Meadville, Penna., an institution of the Pittsburgh Synod—A Hospital at Los Angeles, California, which is an effort of our local Lutherans—A Girls' Hospice in Philadelphia, under the Lutheran Women's League—A Girls' Hospice in Akron, Ohio, conducted by Trinity Lutheran Church—and A Girls' Hospice in Milwaukee, under the auspices of the Lutheran Women's League. Not all of these are the exclusive activity of the United Lutheran Church, but our members are interested in all of them.

New Inner Mission Societies—Reading, Penna., is to be added to the list of cities having an Inner Mission Society. The work is in its infancy but large things are being planned.—While it is not called an Inner Mission Society, there is an Inner Mission organization in Charleston, S. C., representing five churches of that city which employs a colporteur for the doing of needed work.

Campaigns for Institutions—There have been three campaigns for institutions in which the United Lutheran Church is vitally interested. The Buffalo Orphanage sought $100,000 for needed repairs and has secured in cash and pledges approximately $200,000; Bethesda Home, an institution of the Pittsburgh Synod, sought $65,000 for the development of its work and has secured practically this amount; The Philadelphia Inner Mission Society has begun a campaign for $100,000 which is being completed at the time of the writing of this report; from all indications that amount will be realized.

Institutions on the Budget of the Church—Three institutions have a place on the budget. The National Lutheran Home for the Aged at Washington, Tabitha Home at Lincoln, Nebraska, and Lowman Home at White Rock, South Carolina. The effort of the Board has been to secure a reduction in the amount given to each of these institutions on the budget. The ultimate aim is that each may be supported by local Synod or Synods. The National Lutheran Home for the Aged at Washington has not seen its way clear to adopt the policy of local support and control. It has therefore been referred to the Executive Board of the Church in whose hands the matter now is. There has been a reduction of $5,000 in the amount of money sought upon the budget for Tabitha Home. It is the intention that this amount is to be reduced $5,000 each biennium while local support is being developed. Lowman Home during the period of its development continues to have a place upon the budget for $5,000. It is, however, understood that this amount will not be sought after the institution has sufficiently developed its activity.

Offers of Property—Three offers of property have been made during the biennium, two of which were later withdrawn. The third continues in an offer of a farm at Aurora, West Virginia. The purpose of the donor is to establish a home for disabled and superannuated pastors and their dependents. This farm has been accepted by the West Virginia Synod which is seeking the co-operation of other Synods in its support and control.

The Immigrant Mission Work—of the Board has by agreement been turned over to the Board of Immigrant Missions.

Home Finding—Constant effort has been made to encourage the work of Home Finding by the Synodical Committees. Some progress has been made along this line. A number of States are deeply interested in this matter and seek the co-operation of the Church. This is one of the important activities in which our Synodical Committees are interested. There is promise here of large development.

One of the most pressing needs of the day is for Old Folks' Homes. These will be necessary as long as many people do not appreciate their obligation to the old folks and care for them in their own homes. As conditions now are, many distressing instances of our old people wishing to enter a Home and being unable to be admitted have been brought to our attention.

It is interesting to pass on to the Church the figures given in a religious census of the Government concerning institutions of mercy. They provide much food for thought.

13% are State Institutions,
46% are Private Institutions,
38% are Church Institutions.
2% are Jewish Institutions,
1% are Unclassified.

3. *The Work of the Educational Committee.*

This Committee has been urging upon the Church the work of the Lay Reader. To this end a series of resolutions have been prepared, which are being presented to Synods for action.

It is encouraging to note that so far as our information goes there are now eighteen Lay Readers in the United Lutheran Church.

The Message for the Day—The Board has been publishing during the biennium "A Message for the Day". The Message is a four page folder containing the Introit, Collect, Gospel, Sermon, Prayer and Hymn for each Sunday and Major Festival of the Church Year.

This little folder has been an untold blessing to many of our Christian people. A steadily increasing subscription list indicates that it meets a real need. It is an effort through the printed page to bring to our "shut-ins and shut-outs" the services of God's House.

The Training of Workers—This is one of the activities of the Board in which it crosses the activity of the Deaconess Board and the Parish and Church School Board. An agreement among these three agencies of the Church has been reached whereby curricula will be prepared and the development of such schools will be promoted.

One of the most distressing problems which has come before us has been that our young people who have had some training and desire to enter into Christian service but are not employed by the Church. It has been impossible to find places in which they can be used. Many of them are going into the service of other denominations or of purely secular social agencies. Several conferences have been had with the officers of the Executive Board and the Board of Education in this matter in the hope of finding some solution for it. As the life of the Church develops no doubt it will be possible to make use of these consecrated lives.

This Committee has also been seeking to find a larger place in the curriculum of Theological Seminaries for the study of the Inner Mission. The effort is being made to interest the students in our Seminaries in Inner Mission work. Students are being sought who will be willing to give one year, following their graduation, to the practical work of the Inner Mission in some form or other. The conviction of the Board is, however, that pastoral experience is desirable before permanently entering into the work.

Summer Schools have been generous in their recognition of the Inner Mission upon their programs. This has been a large help to a broader understanding of our work.

One of the outstanding events of the biennium has been a General Inner Mission Conference held in Chicago. At this Conference every large branch of the Lutheran Church in America was represented either upon the program or in discussion. The benefit of this Conference will manifest itself in local work. A further Conference is to be held next Spring.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF INNER MISSIONS.

Income and Expenses.

For the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Income.

United Lutheran Church	8,804.00	
Loans	1,850.00	
Sale of Literature, etc.	221.19	
United, General and Branch Synods	99.25	
Donations	60.49	
Donations for Special Purposes	37.50	
		$11,072.43

EXPENSES.

Salary of Secretary	$2,391.60	
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	1,523.00	
Secretary's Traveling Expenses, etc.	2,843.52	
Board Members' Traveling Expenses, etc.	1,380.56	
Literature Purchased	2,651.80	
Loans Repaid	1,450.00	
Office Rental	440.00*	
Office Supplies and Expenses	352.07	
Postage and Expressage	188.17	
Office Furniture Purchased	62.65	
Interest on Loans	1.22	
		$13,284.59
Deficit for the year		$ 2,212.16

*Includes rental for four months prior to August 1, 1920.

Total Cash Disbursements		$11,979.08
Accrued Expenses included above	$1,457.70	
Less, Advances for traveling, etc.	152.19	
		1,305.51
		$13,284 59

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH.

For the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Balance, August 1, 1920:—In Bank	$839.27	
On Hand	25.00	
		$864.27
Add, Receipts as above		11,072.43
		$11,936.70
Deduct, Disbursements as above		11,979.08
Overdraft, July 31, 1921		$ 42.38

BALANCE SHEET, 31st JULY, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash in bank and on hand	$ 801.60	
Stamps	3.03	
Inventory of Salable Literature, at cost	2,251.00	
Cash advance for traveling	125.00	
Furniture and Fixtures, at estimated value	200.00	
		$ 3,380.63

LIABILITIES.

Loan, due Rev. F. H. Knubel	250.00
Accounts Payable	1,522 80
Accrued Rental	480.00
	$2,252.80

FUNDS.

General Fund	$1,127.83	
		$3,380.63

RECONCILEMENT OF FUNDS.

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

General Fund		
Balance, August 1, 1921	$523.06	
Add, Excess of Income over Expenses, as annexed	604.77	
		$1,127.83
Special Fund		
Balance, August 1, 1921	$37.50	
Less, Special donations, paid	37.50	
Balance, July 31, 1922		1,127.83

INCOME AND EXPENSES

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

INCOME

United Lutheran Church, on Apportionment	$8,938.00
United, General and Branch Synods	234.55
Donations from Congregations	85.20
Donations from Individuals	453.00
Sale of Literature, etc.	461.19
	$10,171.94

EXPENSES.

Salary of Secretary	$3,249.93	
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	1,590.00	
Expenses of Secretary	1,190.88	
Expenses of Board Members, etc.	734.66	
Literature Purchased	1,655.74	
Office Rental	578.32	
Printing and Stationery	72.40	
Postage and Expressage	241.30	
Auditing	157.47	
Office Supplies and Expenses	96.47	
		$9,567.17
Excess of Income over Expenses		$604.77

Respectfully submitted,
WM. FREAS, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Inner Mission of the United Lutheran Church in America for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet, Receipts and Disbursements, etc., are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

REPORTS FOR INSTITUTIONS.

The Constitution of the Board requires that report shall be made to the United Lutheran Church at its Conventions for the institutions of mercy.

In the effort to truly represent the work of the Church a two-fold classification of institutions has been made. Every effort has been made to have these correct. It is an exceedingly difficult matter, however, to properly classify some of the institutions which our people are supporting.

INNER MISSION INSTITUTIONS AND SOCIETIES.

A—UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA.

(Owned, controlled and supported entirely by the United Lutheran Church in America, one or more of its constituent Synods, one or more of its congregations, or by associations within constituent Synods.)

I. *Orphans' Homes.*

1. St. John's Orphans' Home.....Sulphur Springs, Buffalo, N. Y.
2. Tressler Orphans' Home.....Loysville, Perry Co., Pa.
3. Lutheran Orphan Home.....Salem, Va.
4. Orphans' Home.....Topton, Berks County, Pa.
5. Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage.....Nachusa, Lee County, Ill.
6. Oesterlen Orphans' Home.....Route 10, Springfield, Ohio.

II. *Old People's Homes.*

1. Mary J. Drexel Home.....2100 S. College Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
2. National Lutheran Home for the Aged.....Washington, D. C.
3. Lutheran Church Home for the Aged and Infirm, 217 E. Delevan Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
4. Lutheran Home for the Aged.....Erie, Pa.
5. Old People's Home of the Pittsburgh Synod, Zelienople, Butler Co., Pa.
6. Feghtley Home.....Tippecanoe City, Ohio.
7. Franke Home.....261 Calhoun St., Charleston, S. C.
8. Lutheran Home for the Aged.....Southbury, Conn.
9. The Lutheran Church Home for the Aged and Infirm of Central New York .....Clinton, N. Y.

III. *Orphans' and Old People's Homes.*

1. Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged, 6950 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
2. Tabitha Home .....Lincoln, Nebr.

IV. *Institutions for Defectives.*

1. Lowman Home for Aged and Helpless.....White Rock, S. C.

V. *Hospices.*

1. The Luther Hospice for Young Men..157 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
2. The Lutheran Hospice for Young Women.....Akron, Ohio.

VI. *Miscellaneous Institutions.*

1. The Lutheran Settlement.....1333 Frankford Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
2. The Martin Luther Neighborhood House, 1333 S. 9th St., Philadelphia, Pa.
3. Kensington Dispensary for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, Hancock St. and Susquehanna Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
4. River Crest Preventorium.....Mont Clare, Pa.
5. Spring Garden Neighborhood House, 1266 Spring Garden Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

6. Bethesda Home .....Meadville, Pa.

VII. *Seamen's and Immigrant Missions.*

1. Seamen's and Immigrant Mission of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, Port of Philadelphia, Pa.

VIII. *Inner Mission Societies and City Missions.*

1. The Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
2. The Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Brooklyn and Vicinity.
3. The Inner Mission Society of the State of Connecticut.
4. Society, Charleston, S. C.
5. The Inner Mission Society of the Lutheran Alliance, Washington, D. C.
6. The Philadelphia City Mission.

IX. *Deaconess Motherhouses.*

1. Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse..2500 W. North Ave., Baltimore, Md.
2. Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses, 2100 S. College Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

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I. *Orphans' Homes.*

1. Emaus Orphans' House.....Middletown, Dauphin Co., Pa.
2. Orphans' Home and Farm School.....Zelienople, Pa.
3. Wartburg Orphans' Home and Farm School.....Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
4. Orphan Home of the Children's Friend, 93 Nelson Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

II. *Old People's Homes.*

1. Mary Louise Home for the Aged and Infirm.....Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

III. *Institutions for Defectives.*

1. Passavant Memorial Home for the Care of Epileptics....Rochester, Pa.
2. Good Shepherd Home.....Allentown, Pa.

IV. *Hospices.*

1. Hospice for Young Women.....623 E. 14th St., Minneapolis, Minn.
2. Lutheran Hospice for Young Women, 330 E. North Ave., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Lutheran Hospice for Girls.....509 Park Ave., Baltimore, Md.
4. Hospice for Young Women, Tryon Homestead, 29th and Glenwood Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

V. *Miscellaneous Institutions.*

1. Layton Home for Incurables.....Milwaukee, Wis.
2. Tabor Home for Destitute and Neglected Children, Near Doylestown, Pa.
3. Children's Receiving Home....Madison St. and 8th Ave., Maywood, Ill.
4. Tiding Over Home for Children, Harway Ave., Gravesend, Brooklyn, N. Y.
5. Recreation Home for Women and Children, Harway Ave., Gravesend, Brooklyn, N. Y.
6. Artman Home for Lutherans.....Sellersville, Pa.
7. Wilbur A. Herrlich Memorial.....Towners, N. Y.

VI. *Hospitals.*

1. Children's Hospital.....2100 S. College Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.
2. Lutheran Hospital of Manhattan,
Convent Ave. and 144th St., New York City.

VII. *Seamen and Immigrant Missions.*

1. Seamen's Mission.....64 Hudson St., Hoboken, N. J.
2. Lutheran Emigrants' House Association, 147 W. 23rd St., New York City.

VIII. *Inner Mission Societies.*

1. Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Minneapolis, Minn.
2. Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Pittsburgh, Pa.
3. Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in New York.
4. Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Buffalo, N. Y.
5. Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Baltimore and Vicinity.
6. Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Reading, Pa.

IX. *Deaconess Motherhouse.*

1. The Milwaukee Motherhouse.....Milwaukee, Wis.

I. Orphans' Homes.

1. *Evangelical Lutheran St. John's Orphans' Home, Buffalo, N. Y.*

Nearly 58 years ago the faith and devotion of a pioneer pastor of Buffalo, Rev. Christian Volz, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church, founded St. John's Orphans' Home.

More than 800 children have found a home in this institution during the years that have passed. St. John's has never had large and pretentious buildings. The first building on Hickory St. in Buffalo was a frame structure. The property at Mineral Spring Road where the Home is located at present was not expensive. In 1875 a plain building was erected, to which later a wing was added. The building is still in use.

After many months of deliberation and discussion the Board of Directors of St. John's Orphans' Home, representing the various congregations of the United Lutheran Church, came to the conclusion that $100,000 were required to equip the Home properly and build a gymnasium, new school rooms, and remodel the present building. During the period from April 24 to May 27 appeal was made to the Lutherans in Buffalo and vicinity and to the many friends of the Home with its great plea for assistance.

The campaign was conducted and $198,000 were pledged. A new heating system was installed in the present building and the erection of the new building is under way.

The Home has last year cared for 92 children. Receipts during the year amount to $27,982, and expenditures were $27,334.

2. *Tressler Orphans' Home, Loysville, Pa.*

By a merciful Providence we are able to bring you a happy report. There has been no serious sickness in our family of 280 children ranging

in age from two to sixteen. We have received 51 in the past year and discharged 46.

The West Penna. Junior Building is completed and furnished. The East Penna. Boys' Dormitory is well on the way. The new Hospital is waiting the bricklayers. The Alleghany Girls' Dormitory will be carried forward. Many repairs and improvements in the property have been made.

The farm crops have been considerably reduced through the long drought in this section of the country.

The children of suitable age are taught to do the kinds of work which are found in the average home and farm.

The religious education has been receiving the same careful effort as in former years. Four classes in the catechism are conducted and 30 young people have been confirmed this year. Sunday School is held regularly; also a young people's Society. Daily morning and evening chapel services are held and sermons by the local pastor are preached each Sunday.

3. *Lutheran Orphan Home, Salem, Va.*

The present year marks the 34th of our existence. The numerous blessings and mercies of God have been full and free to us.

The general health of the children has been good. Our three schools have gone steadily on under our own teachers at the Home, and at our own expense.

At present we have 106 children in the Home, coming to us from five States. Five of them are in High School, one also having just completed the course. One of our boys is in his second year at Roanoke College, preparing for the ministry. Three of our girls are taking courses in preparation to becoming trained nurses. Several others have the professions in view and will enter upon this work during the year.

Our endowment fund amounts to $32,100; building fund totals $36,121; and current expense fund is $18,033. We have no liabilities.

An assistant to the superintendent has been secured. The heavy burden of directing the Home and increasing the Building Fund made this additional worker necessary.

4. *The Lutheran Orphans' Home, Topton, Pa.*

The Orphans' Home at Topton, Pa. has enjoyed a very blessed biennium. In sheltering the average of 150 children, it has enjoyed the blessing of health. The liberality of our friends and supporters is worthy of mention. We are happy to say that we have not been handicapped with deficits. Legacies have been coming to us which have enabled us to put up an addition to the building at a cost of approximately $20,000; set aside $25,000 as the beginning of an endowment fund; and establish an educational fund the income of which is to be used for the support of a boy preparing for the ministry or a girl for deaconness work or nursing.

Friends have provided to educate some of the children at the Normal School at Kutztown, Pa. as well as at business college at Allentown, Pa. One of our boys is provided for by a friend as a student at Muhlenberg College.

The Superintendent confirmed classes on Palm Sunday the past two years after a due course of catechetical instruction.

The Home authorities have succeeded, in addition to those received into the Home, in placing quite a number of needy in private homes.

Our work has been expanding, and though we have enlarged, we still need more room, especially a separate intermediate building.

The active management of the institution deserves the highest commendation.

5. *The Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage of the United Lutheran Church in America, Nachusa, Ill.*

The past biennium was an important one of Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage. It marked the payment of a long standing debt and the receipts for current expenses were sufficient for the maintenance of the Home.

On Jan. 1, 1921, Rev. J. A. McCulloch resigned as Superintendent after serving in this capacity for six years, Rev. P. H. Stahl was elected to succeed him, and began his duties Feb. 1, 1921.

Improvements amounting to $2,500 were made to the property. The main building was painted on the outside, and the inside walls redecorated; the floors in the play-room, bath-rooms, and halls were covered with mastic; the Dunham system was attached to the heating plant; and other minor improvements. The house built for the Superintendent supplies a great need.

There are 35 children in the Home, 17 girls and 18 boys. 12 children have been dismissed, and 14 received. Many worthy applications have been refused for lack of room.

All the children attend school, 30 in the grades and 5 in high school. The religious instruction of the children is also being emphasized. A systematic study of Bible history, Bible stories, and missions was outlined and used for the first time last year.

The present great need is more room to accommodate more children. A building program consisting of the erection of two cottages, a central heating plant, laundry, remodeling of the present dining room and kitchen, and barn, has been outlined by the Executive Committee. Plans are now being drawn for some of these buildings, and the other necessary steps are being taken to carry out the program. About $75,000 will be needed to erect and equip the buildings. The work will likely be started early next year.

6. *Oesterlein Orphans' Home, Springfield, Ohio.*

The work of our institution continues to move in a happy way with complete harmony.

We now have 42 wards, 24 boys and 18 girls, 3 of whom attend the Springfield High School and 36 are in the grades of the city schools. 17 applications have been received and 12 admitted. 4 have been dismissed from the institution.

The children attend Sunday School and church services at one of our Springfield churches.

The property is in good condition. Such improvements and additions as the means at hand would permit have been made.

There is imperative need for more room so that we may care for more of the children who are being urged upon us.

II. Old People's Homes.

2. *National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C.*

Reports directly to the Buffalo Convention.

3. *Lutheran Church Home, Buffalo, N. Y.*

The Lutheran Church Home continues its loving service to the old folks who otherwise would be objects for charity.

Forty-six old persons have received our care during the last year. Nine deaths, including that of our oldest ward, aged 94, occurred during the year. Nine persons also were admitted to our family.

Our Home celebrated its silver jubilee with much rejoicing. We enjoy the interest and sympathetic assistance of our Lutheran people in Buffalo. Many business men decrease our expenses by donations of food stuffs.

The Woman's Auxiliary continues its great work in the work for and support of the Home.

Our efficient matron, Miss Louise Kahler, has completed 25 years of blessed service with the Home. She was surprised on the anniversary day with a token of affection.

We gratefully acknowledge the goodness of our Lord in permitting us thus to serve, and for His guidance and help during a quarter of a century.

5. *The Old People's Home of the Pittsburgh Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, Zelienople, Pa.*

The Home was founded by the Pittsburgh Synod in 1904. The Synod holds title to all the property. It conducts the Home through a Board of Managers, which it elects. It recently filled four vacancies from nominations made by the Board.

During the biennium 20 persons were admitted to the Home, 2 withdrew, 11 died, and 68 persons were cared for. The family at present consists of 28. The Board has a waiting list of applications.

The regular maintenance expenses was $21,133, with an indebtedness of $2,716.

Five acres of land adjoining the Home were purchased and eight additional lots in the Zelienople Cemetery were bought and markers placed on the graves of 6 of our dead.

Necessary repairs and improvements on ground and buildings were made. Enlargement of the Home is imperative. Looking to this necessity Synod authorized the Board of Managers to open a building fund for the erection of a south wing to the main building.

6. *Feghtly Lutheran Home, Tippecanoe City, Ohio.*

The Feghtly Lutheran Home, founded by Sarah Feghtly for aged women, and located in the beautiful village of Tippecanoe, has continued its work for the past two years uninterruptedly. There has been constantly in the Home from twelve to fifteen members. During the past two years five new members were admitted. One withdrew at her own request, after being at the Home for a short time. One member became mentally unbalanced, and it was necessary to remove her to the Insane Hospital. During the past two years one member has died.

There is a growing and insistent demand for places in our Home. Worthy women of bitter need are knocking at our doors, but we are unable to admit them for lack of room. The building can house but fifteen inmates, and the endowment we have will not support a larger home.

During the past two years electric lights have been installed at the Home which materially reduces the fire hazard. Many donations and free will gifts have been made by friends of this institution, among them being an electric mangle presented by Mrs. Selina B. Belmar of Cincinnati. These gifts have greatly added to the happiness and welfare of the members of this Home.

Under the will of Howard D. Plank of Logansport, who recently died, this Home is made one of four residuary legatees. The estate is now in litigation, but it is hoped that the Home will finally receive several thousand dollars to be added to its funds.

With sincerest thanksgiving to God for His goodness and love, His care and manifold blessings upon this Home, for the aged, this is respectfully submitted.

7. *Franke Home, Charleston, S. C.*

The title to the property of the Home is vested in the Evangelical Lutheran Charities Society of Charleston, S. C., composed of the pastor and two lay representatives of each of our five local churches. The institution is in high favor in the city, not only among our own people but in the community at large and there is usually a waiting list.

Our most marked advance in the past two years was the installation of our Deaconess, Sister Dorathea Hesse, from the Baltimore Motherhouse, as superintendent. This official has brought into the Home a very beautiful and uplifting Christian spirit, and has also demonstrated the fact that such a trained worker can render doubly efficient service.

8. *The Lutheran Home for the Aged, Southbury, Conn.*

The Lutheran Home for the Aged in Southbury, Conn., owned by the Lutheran Inner Mission Society of the State of Connecticut, entered the fifth year.

Rev. P. F. Clemen is director of the institution. The Home takes care of 22 old people, its maximum capacity. It has had a very successful year, being able to reduce the debt considerably and starting a sinking found of over $4,000.

9. *The Southern Church Home for the Aged and Infirm of Central New York.*

Our Home for the old folks grew out of our needs in Utica. The pastors of our congregations conferred concerning this need, and later called in some of our laymen. The result was the effecting of a permanent organization and the incorporation of the association under the laws of New York.

After a long, tireless search, the property now occupied was purchased. It is located at Clinton, N. Y., a bit over seven miles from the heart of Utica. There are 10½ acres of ground, fronting 500 feet on the highway. A house of 13 rooms, accomodating 10 people, sets back a distance from the road. Water comes from a spring on the property with an auxiliary well.

Five persons are in the Home, with applications from five other Lutherans, and quite a number who are not Lutherans. Our own should have the preference.

A survey of our territory revealed the need also of an orphanage, and Inner Mission work peculiar to each community. Plans are therefore in process to extend the work with the co-operation of Central New York Pastoral Association. Amendments to our constitution have been adopted to make possible this larger work. An Inner Mission Society for Central New York is being formed and incorporation is to be sought in the fall. This Society will foster the enlargement of our work.

III. Orphans' and Old People's Homes.

1. *Philadelphia Orphans' Home, Philadelphia, Pa.*

The Germantown Orphans' Home at this time (July 1922) cares for 165 boys and girls, and fifty-five aged men and women. The family is gathered from the congregations of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, which also elects members of its Boards of Directors. Children of all ages are cared for, the Baby Home enabling reception of young babies.

During the last two years the buildings have undergone extensive alteration and improvement. A disastrous fire in December 1921 gutted the girls' building, causing a loss of $43,000. Insurance and a large offering, spontaneously made by the churches, enabled rebuilding with most modern improvements. A new spacious dining hall was constructed, all recreation rooms refinished, and in most cases refurnished; five dormitories renovated and in part refurnished, are among the improvements made.

The medical work has been developed to an efficiency which has elicited much praise. A modern dispensary, small hospital equipped for surgical

and medical work, are in care of a trained nurse, added to the staff. The Kiefaber Memorial Hospital for Contagious Diseases, now under construction, will give the Institution a complete equipment.

The matter of education receives careful study and attention. The Home plans to afford every child a grammar school education. Children of merit are continued through high school and college. Children over six years attend the public school. Students from the Beechwood Girls' College conduct the Kindergarten.

The religious exercises of each day and the Sunday School instruction are supplemented by a very fine Summer Bible School, conducted by trained teachers. Services on Sundays are alternately in German and English.

The Home is situated in one of the finest residential suburbs, and has erected on a valuable tract a fine group of buildings.

2. *Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebr.*

Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebr., is not only a home for the orphan and the aged, but it has succored and is now caring for a number who are in wheel chairs or helpless in bed. Not a child has died since Tabitha came under Lutheran care.

At the present time there are 39 children and 45 aged and helpless, a total of 84. During the biennium, 25 children and 3 aged have been dismissed and 16 aged and helpless died, a total of 44. During the same period, 36 have been admitted, 18 of whom were children, and 18 old and helpless.

The encouragement for us is a growing interest over the territory of Tabitha Home. The discouragements that were continually with us were the financial depression on all sides, and the ever present realization of a lack of room for those already in the Home, and for those needy ones clamoring at our doors. If it had not been for a considerable entrance fee from three aged people, and a voluntary support from seven Synods outside our allotted territory, Tabitha Home would have been financially embarrassed.

The net worth of the property is estimated at $104,000. At times we have had more than 100 inmates and helpers in the Home.

The past year our disbursements were $33,241, while the amount received from the United Lutheran Church Treasury was $12,584, only about 60 per cent. of the amount promised Tabitha Home. We are situated in Home Mission territory. We are doing our best. We must have help. To help Tabitha Home is to aid a blessed work for the Lord's helpless ones in the western fields of the United Lutheran Church in America.

IV. Institutions for Defectives.

1. *The Lowman Home for the Aged and Helpless, White Rock, S. C.*

The Lowman Home was founded to take care of the aged and helpless including epileptics and defectives except such as are insane and blind.

During the past two years the Board has made some preparation to erect

an administration building. The design of a building has been made which will accommodate 48 inmates besides chapel, dining room, and office.

The lumber for this building has been prepared on the farm, also a cottage of six rooms is now in the process of erection for a home for the superintendent, so the present buildings on the grounds can be fitted up for inmates. This will enable the Home in the near future to receive about 12 more people.

A questionnaire has been sent out to all the congregations in the South asking a report of all persons who should have the help of this Institution. Seventy-five per cent. of the pastors have reported sixty, besides a few from the North, who have made application for entrance.

The severe business depression in this section through the loss of the cotton crop has largely destroyed the income from the lands belonging to the Home.

The Home has received in donations and bequests from individuals $4,000 during the last biennium.

V. Hospices.

1. *The Luther Hospice, Philadelphia, Pa.*

Our part of the great work of Christian philanthropy in which our city and State are second to none is ever kept at the highest point of efficiency.

We have demonstrated that, where the accommodations offered come anywhere near what young men want, the work will be supported and an opportunity offered to render real service to young men. While creature comforts by no means come first in the Hospice, nevertheless those interested cannot expect our young people to be satisfied to live where accommodations are at least not equal to the homes from which they came.

The Hospice is nothing more than the extension of the Christian family, and where the Christian and elevating influences of the Christian family are to be maintained there must also the comforts of the home be found.

While our building here in Philadelphia has not all the comforts of the modern hotel, it is nevertheless a good stepping-stone toward what we are hoping it to be in the near future, and it is well supported by our people.

Our Home is continually filled to overflowing and during at least ten months of the year we could have doubled the number of guests if we had the accommodations. Our house accommodates 65 guests and our dining room accommodates 80. Guests rooming outside the building keep the dining room filled to capacity.

We maintain here that cheerful and helpful atmosphere which means everything to the young man away from home. Our reading room and music room help to pass the time of guests profitably. Not the recreation, however, but the family prayer, the Bible study classes, and the personal work among the men are the special features of our work.

The work is practically self-supporting. The receipts over the desk for accommodations in 1921 were over $32,000.

2. *The Lutheran Hospice for Young Women, Akron, Ohio.*

The Lutheran Hospice for Young Women, 64 N. Prospect St., Akron, Ohio, is owned and under the jurisdiction of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Akron, Ohio.

So far as we know this church is the only one that has taken up this type of Inner Mission work alone.

The Hospice was formally opened by the congregation giving a reception to all interested friends in November, 1920.

The Guild Ladies of the Church celebrated the first milestone by giving a birthday party, having open house all day.

The property is valued at $50,000 on which there is some indebtedness.

The first year we made a home for 19 young ladies, and entertained 100 transient guests. Our Deaconess makes her home in the Hospice.

Forty hungry men were given meals, in return for which they have each given one hour of work.

Our friends have been most kind, enabling us to show a balance instead of a deficit for our running expenses the first year.

VI. Miscellaneous Institutions.

1. *The Lutheran Settlement, Philadelphia, Pa.*

During the past two years the activities of the Settlement have grown more rapidly both in volume and efficiency than during any similar period since its foundation in 1906.

There are three departments of the work: The Relief Department ministers to the need of the sick, the destitute, the weak, sorrowful and helpless. The Educational Department maintains classes in music, drawing, domestic science and various trades and occupations for male and female and includes a library and a savings bank. The Religious Department comprises regular church services on Sundays, a Sunday School, daily Vesper services, Christian Kindergarten, Summer Bible School, Bible Classes, friendly and pastoral visitation and ministrations.

While all departments have prospered greatly, the growth in the Religious Department has been most remarkable. The Sunday School membership has increased from 60 in 1920 to 359 in 1922. A regular church service has been established and this year a class of 23 were confirmed and received into the Church.

The Settlement is located at 1333 Frankford Ave., and Deaconess Edna C. Hill is Sister in charge; vice the Rev. G. H. Bechtold, Director, now Executive Secretary of the Lutheran Bureau of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. The value of the property has increased from $8,000 in 1920 to $60,000 this year. There are six regular paid workers and 65 volunteer workers. It is estimated that between 3,000 and 4,000 people come within its influence annually.

2. *The Martin Luther Neighborhood House, Philadelphia, Pa.*

The work among the Italians at the Martin Luther Neighborhood House at 1333 S. 9th St., Philadelphia, Pa., has been encouraging in all departments. Over 500 children have come under its influence annually.

There is a daily Christian Kindergarten, average attendance 55, a daily Vacation Bible School in the summer, average attendance 75, a sewing class, once a week, average attendance 35, a Junior Luther League, average attendance 30, and a Mission Band of 30.

A circulating library has been maintained affording the children access to desirable books.

Working in connection with the Free Country Week Association a number of children were sent to the country for two weeks.

The staff consists of three paid workers, and about 20 volunteer workers. Miss Anna P. Hess succeeds Pastor Bechtold as directress of the work.

The House engages in all departments of St. Peter's Italian Lutheran Church. The religious work of the two is so closely connected that it is impossible to separate them.

3. *Kensington Dispensary for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, Phila., Pa.*

Founded "under the guidance of God" for the purpose of alleviating tuberculosis in any form without regard to race, creed, color, or condition, the Kensington Dispensary has during the past biennium cared for hundreds of patients at its institution conducting both day and night clinics and the visiting physician has given medical attention, in their respective homes, to those too ill to come for the treatment.

The nurse again visited all patients distributing free of charge milk and other necessities to those unable to provide them.

The Relief Fund for coal, shoes, blankets, food, etc., has constant and innumerable demands.

An institution now in existence sixteen years, supported entirely by voluntary contributions, the Kensington Dispensary rejoices that it has, by the grace of God, been the means of bringing relief to thousands of sufferers and supplied the needs of hundreds of destitute families.

4. *River Crest Preventorium, Mont Clare, Pa.*

River Crest Preventorium with its capacity for 39 children and demands for the accommodation of a hundred, cared for 403 little folks ranging in age from 3 to 14 years, during the past biennium.

Children from all sections of Philadelphia and vicinity have come under our care and observation.

River Crest is not for cases of active tuberculosis but for those exposed to it, who, by living in the fresh air and enjoying good wholesome food are able to resist the inroads of the disease.

The institution's doors are open the year round, larger quarters being an urgent need, so that instead of keeping children two weeks at a time they may stay several months uninterruptedly.

The remarkable gains in weight and general improvement along every line are the strongest arguments for the expansion and greater interest in this work for dependent childhood, His little ones, entrusted to us for loving, tender care.

5. *The Spring Garden Neighborhood House, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

Spring Garden Neighborhood House is located in a narrow, thickly populated valley. The people are mostly German or Bohemian, although we have 15 or more nationalities represented here. The Woman's Missionary Society began the settlement house in 1913. Through it and through Grace Church we attempt to reach the souls and needs of the people.

The work for the biennium summarizes as follows:

	1920	1921
Meetings held	468	559
Total attendance	9,863	19,658
Average Monthly Attendance	822	1,710
1921		
Children—Boys		807
Girls		1,306
Mixed		9,432
1921		
Adult—Men		1,015
Women		1,358
1921		
Library		2,594
Visitation by worker	202	463

Classes of various kinds, Vacation Bible Schools, Recreation Bible Training, Men's and Women's groups use the Neighborhood House. All emphasize the Christian side of life and conduct.

This fall Sister Rose Barbour comes as our Deaconess. We hope also to have an assistant for her who will help in the work. This summer we plan to raise our present church one story and use the first floor for Neighborhood House work. We expect to add other facilities to help us meet the needs of the community.

6. *Bethesda, House of Mercy and Home for Children, Meadville, Pa.*

Bethesda is the new name of the Lutheran Orphans' Home of the Pittsburgh Synod. The change of name is due to the fact that the old name failed to designate properly the nature of the work undertaken here. It is not an Orphans' Home in the strict sense of the word, but a Home for orphans, destitute, friendless, delinquent and defective children without distinction as to race, creed, or condition. We hope eventually to care for all these classes in Bethesda. Thus far we have been laboring under severe handicaps in the old farm house but within a few weeks we will enter the new building where we shall be able to care for about fifty children.

We have already cared for eight delinquents, one rather a difficult case; this one we have taken to the home of one of the members of our Lutheran Church here and he is doing well, saved from the stigma of the Reformatory and on the way to useful and unblighted manhood. In Bethesda the Lutheran Church has made a beginning in real Inner Mission work.

VII. Seaman and Immigrant Missions.

1. *Seaman's Mission of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.*

Seaman's Mission at the port of Philadelphia was begun in 1903 by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. A Seaman's pastor has charge of the work, while a layman is the Superintendent of the Home which was secured in 1908 at 1402 East Moyamensing Avenue. Here the sailor can rest, here he finds a reading and writing room, clean lodgings, shower baths, storage facilities for baggage, safe-keeping and forwarding of money, employment and spiritual and material aid. An association of about 1,000 members maintains this home for German seamen.

During the last few years it was very quiet at the Home, but since we have a new Superintendent and his wife at the head of the institution the number of guests and visiting sailors is increasing. During the last 4 months we had 53 guests in 1,068 sleeping nights, there were 534 visitors of the reading room, 58 free lodgings and 82 free meals were given. Employment for 21 was secured and money for safekeeping or forwarding $340.30.

The Seamen's pastor visited 573 vessels during the last two years, 3,600 sailors of 45 different nationalities were met, of these 1,300 were Lutherans. Nearly 10,000 tracts and periodicals were distributed, also 2,000 parts of the New Testament in 22 different languages.

VIII. Inner Mission Societies and City Missions.

1. *The Inner Mission Society of the Evan. Lutheran Church, Phila., Pa.*

This pioneer among similar societies in the United States was organized in 1902, incorporated May 29, 1911, and has a membership of 1,500 or more. Its Board of Managers consists of six clergymen, nine laymen and six laywomen, all members of the United Lutheran Church in America.

The Society owns and conducts the Luther Hospice for Young Men, a fine and valuable property at 20th and Race Sts., in which an average of 80 young men find a Christian Home.

The Settlement at 1333 Frankford Ave., an activity on a strictly Christian and churchly basis, combining numerous religious, educational and benevolent features, and successfully solving the so-called downtown church problem in a neglected up-town neighborhood.

The Martin Luther Neighborhood House, 1333 S. 9th St., in the heart of the Italian quarter, where a large Christian kindergarten is maintained.

For the further extension of the Society's work, and especially for a new and larger Settlement House, a successful campaign for $100,000 was recently conducted.

The Director of the Hospice is the Rev. Jos. S. Schantz, who is also the Society's pastor in its spiritual work; a Sister from the Baltimore Motherhouse is in charge of the internal affairs of the Settlement; and Miss Anna Hess is the responsible head of the Martin Luther Neighborhood House. The President of the Society and of its Board is the Rev. J. F. Ohl, D.D., and the Secretary is the Rev. F. S. Kuntz. A Woman's Auxiliary is most active and efficient in support of the work.

2. *The Inner Mission Society of Brooklyn and Vicinity.*

The Brooklyn Inner Mission Society uses the services of a pastor as missionary, a trained woman on full time and a number of volunteers.

One of the most important activities of the Society is work in hospitals where Lutherans and others are given the benefits of the gospel and their material needs are cared for.

The Society cooperates with the New York Inner Mission Society in the Summer Home and many of our boys and girls have the benefit of the outing during the summer.

A most important work is being done through the Women's Auxiliary in the organization of the young people of our churches for service. This activity has brought most blessed and happy results.

3. *The Lutheran Inner Mission Society of the State of Connecticut.*

The Lutheran Inner Mission Society of the State of Connecticut was organized in the fall of 1917 "to found and maintain institutions and homes for the Aged and Orphan. Also to erect and maintain other institutions of Inner Mission work if necessity requires it."

The officers of the Society are Rev. H. Voigt, President; Mr. H. Stelzner, Vice President; Rev. E. Hingkeldey, Secretary; Rev. P. F. Clemen, Financial Secretary; Mr. J. Knapp, Treasurer.

The first and so far the only instiution the Inner Mission Society maintains is the Lutheran Home for the Aged in Southbury, Conn.

4. *The Evangelical Lutheran Charities Society, Charleston, S. C.*

The Society controls and supports the Franke Home for the Aged.

Our latest ministry has been to some of the women who have returned with their husbands who have served with the American Army of Occupation at Coblenz. One of these women is now being housed and tenderly cared for in our institution where she will be kept without charge until she enters a maternity hospital in this city. Although she is not of our faith, the Society believes that in ministering to her it is truly performing an act of Christian charity and is, at the same time, setting a high example before the community of the real spirit of the true American citizen.

5. *Inner Mission Society of the Lutheran Alliance, Washington, D. C.*

Because its population is so largely a transient one, the District of Columbia is a field greatly in need of Inner Mission work. People come, move, and go in such rapid succession that one pays little attention to a neighbor's movements. The consequences are that an individual finds himself in time of sickness and trouble with a very small circle, if any, of friends who know of his condition or whereabouts. Then he turns to the Church for help.

The Home for the Blind, to which readers are sent; the House of Detention, where meetings are held, the various Rescue Missions, where pastors and young people's societies are invited to hold meetings; the mission homes for children request garments sewed; these are all fruitful fields for Christian service.

The aged people in the National Home look forward with great eagerness to entertainments, treats, and religious services. Some of them are too nearly blind to read their Bibles. They are read to. Automobile rides are given them by kind friends in the churches.

By means of a system of cards, addressed and stamped, ready to be filled in and mailed to our Secretary the presence of a Lutheran in a local hospital is made known to the pastor of the patient's choice. The pastor and the secretary call. If he has no church home the nearest Lutheran pastor is asked to call. This visitation is much appreciated by the patient and the nurses, who say they wish all the churches would adopt this system.

6. *The Philadelphia City Mission.*

The Philadelphia City Mission was established and is maintained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. It furnishes missionaries for religious services in the charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions of the city, and for private spiritual ministrations among those who are without pastoral care, especially when such persons are or have been identified with the Lutheran Church.

Upwards of 500 services are annually held in hospitals, homes and prisons, while the visits to individuals in these number thousands. Lutherans moving to the city, whose names and addresses are furnished the Superintendent, are visited, directed to the nearest church, and name and address sent to the pastor.

In numerous instances also places of refuge are found for orphaned and neglected children, and for homeless and aged persons. Friendless and penniless communicants of the Lutheran Church who die in one of the hospitals are buried at the City Mission expenses in one or the other of its burial plots. Three regular missionaries devote themselves entirely to the work, and volunteer service is rendered by other pastors and by students of the Mount Airy Seminary.

The Superintendent is the Rev. J. F. Ohl, D.D., 826 S. St. Bernard St.; Office, Room 64, DeLong Building, 13th and Chestnut streets.

IX. Deaconess Motherhouses.

A report of the Deaconess Motherhouses of the United Lutheran Church may at first sight seem unnecessary, as the Deaconess Board furnishes a complete statement. Yet a review of the Inner Mission activity of the Church would not be complete without at least a reference to this important service. Our two Motherhouses, besides doing Inner Mission work, are most helpful to the cause by training workers in addition to the Sisters. The Milwaukee Motherhouse, while having no official relations with the Church, is doing its share towards the training of workers for Inner Mission activities.

1. *The Baltimore Motherhouse.*

The Baltimore Motherhouse has made encouraging progress. The number of sisters in regular connection with it has grown within the biennium from 49 to 60. Parish deaconesses have been assigned to 9 additional congregations. 27 young women have pursued the one year course for Christian workers and a number of prospective missionaries have received gratuitous training.

Rev. Foster U. Gift, D.D., has been elected superintendent of instruction and will devote his whole time to the work of teaching in the Motherhouse and promoting week-day religious instruction throughout the Church. The regular courses include preparation for labor in week-day Church schools and, for those who may desire it, an additional term of six weeks will hereafter be offered for intensive training along special lines of service.

Sister Emma Francis, a cultured native of the Virgin Islands, after thorough training in a foreign Motherhouse, and effective service as a probationer in St. Croix, V. I., has been consecrated as a Deaconess of the United Lutheran Church and assigned for labor among the people of her own race in Harlem, New York City, under the supervision of the Philadelphia Motherhouse.

As the Baltimore Motherhouse is the property of the United Lutheran Church and controlled directly by it, a more detailed statement of its work will be found in the report of the Board of Deaconess Work.

2. *The Philadelphia Motherhouse.*

The Philadelphia Motherhouse has 87 sisters of whom 15 are doing various forms of Inner Mission work among orphans, aged, consumptives, sick, and destitute. Also the educational work done by the Motherhouse is of Inner Mission value, because through the Lankenau School for Girls, and especially through the Kindergarten, it reaches many families without any other Christian influence.

An important Inner Mission feature is added this fall by a two year course for Christian workers offered to a limited number of students. The first year is to be devoted to the study of Christian fundamentals and education, the latter chiefly in connection with the kindergarten, and

the second year chiefly to training in nursing, housekeeping and social work. It is the aim to give a well balanced theoretical and practical course fitting serious minded young women unable to become deaconesses for real service in our congregations.

The Philadelphia Motherhouse especially feels keenly the burden of large responsibilities with a minimum of sisters. Great possibilities of expansion lie within reach as soon as a larger number of sisters is at its disposal. By January 1, 25 to 30 additional sisters could easily be placed. Some of the doors will not always remain open. For lack of deaconesses the Church has already lost a number of opportunities for extending her influence. We realize keenly the importance of deaconess work in the Inner Mission fields and join the call for more young women to enter this force of trained "regulars" in the Church's ministry of love.

B. Allied to United Lutheran Church.

I. Orphans' Home.

2. Orphans' Home and Farm School, Zelienople, Pa.

The Orphans' Home and Farm School at Zelienople, Pa., founded by Rev. W. A. Passavant in the year 1852, is one of the oldest institutions of mercy in the Lutheran Church in America.

Located on the territory of the Pittsburgh Synod this Home has been active in caring for Pittsburgh Synod's dependent orphans and half-orphan children for seventy years.

One hundred and forty-three children were cared for during the past year, ranging in ages from 3 to 16 years.

This spring one of our boys was ordained as a minister of the Gospel, two boys are in college preparing for the ministry and one of our girls is studying to become a foreign missionary.

Our farm consists of 400 acres, 225 of which are under cultivation and produce bountiful crops. The remainder is covered with oak timber.

At the present time a building is being remodeled and enlarged for a hospital. The cost of maintenance of a child for a year is $165.

3. The Wartburg Orphans' Farm School, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

The Wartburg Orphans' Farm School is now in its 56th year. Begun in memory to a son, for whom he had intended to erect a fine monument, Henry Moeller could hardly dream of the blessing this change in his plans would mean. From one small building, in which Pastor Holls, a son of Wichern's Home in Hamburg, held forth for 19 years, the work has grown until now there are 19 buildings upon the grounds and the end is not yet.

Pastor Holls was succeeded by Rev. G. C. Berkmeier, whose 35 years of activity has seen the Wartburg progress until today it is one of American Lutheranism's finest works.

When Dr. Berkemeier's health failed over a year ago, S. G. von Bosse,

pastor of Zion Church, Wilmington, Del., was chosen the third director of the Home.

There are at present 300 children in the Home, orphans and half-orphans; also 36 aged in the Mary Louise Heins Building.

An auditorium seating 2200 people, a Church with room for 600, a completely furnished gymnasium, a school with room for eight full grades, a modern agricultural building, laundry and emergency hospital are to be found besides the buildings for the children. The cottage system which was here introduced has been copied throughout the country. All buildings are equipped with electric light, proper bathing and shower bath facilities and conveniences, such as few institutions can boast.

There is room for every conceivable form of Inner Mission activity, the only handicap being the securing of efficient helpers. Consequently the Board of Trustees is now contemplating the erection of a building in which such helpers may be trained not only for the Wartburg but for the Church as well.

III. Institutions for Defectives.

2. *The Good Shepherd Home, Allentown, Pa.*

The Good Shepherd Home is unique in many ways. It is a Home for crippled orphans, blind orphans, epileptic orphans, infant orphans, destitute children, old people and aged or disabled ministers, regardless of money, creed, color, or nationality.

Our object can be put in a word, "Help the Helpless."

After visiting and studying the leading institutions of America and of Europe, and consulting with the foremost specialists of the country, with an eye single to our peculiar needs, we have thought out, prayed out and worked out what we need as a clearing house in the city for the crippled orphan children entrusted to our care at the Good Shepherd Home.

Many of our friends do not as yet see and understand the Good Shepherd Home plan of studying the individuality of the child and properly classifying them so as to bring out the best that is in them. Thank God many of our friends see the great advantage for the children and show it with their contributions. The greater part of the "Colony of Mercy" which we plan will be located on the Good Shepherd Home Farms.

IV. Hospices.

2. *The Lutheran Hospice for Young Women, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

The Lutheran Hospice for Young Women, 330 East North Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa., was opened by the Inner Mission Society. The Home has a capacity for 34 guests and sheltered 42 regular and 260 transient guests from nearby towns, rural districts and distant cities.

Hospice Day is observed in November and the interest bearing indebtedness has been reduced to $3,000. The property valuation is over $32,500.

The maintenance account for the year ending April 1, 1922, showed $11,066.51 and $10,442.09 expended.

3. *The Girls' Hospice, Baltimore, Md.*

The Inner Mission Society of Baltimore conducts the Girls' Hospice at 509 Park Ave., which is an old fashioned large dwelling house with 19 rooms and a large side yard. Many improvements have been made in the last two years, the Woman's Auxiliary taking an active interest in its welfare.

The management of the house for the last four years has been most successfully conducted by Sister Zora Heckart, who does everything to make life at the Hospice very home like. Consequently the house is always filled to its capacity with a waiting list.

We have accommodations for 30 girls; the value of the property is $25,000 with a mortgage of $12,000. The receipts for the last biennium were $17,616, and the expenditures $17,457.

4. *Girls' Hospice. Tryon Mansion, Philadelphia, Pa.*

In caring for and offering a home to 21 girls living outside of Philadelphia the Tryon Homestead is filling a long felt need and is in every sense of the word a Christian centre.

Recently a young woman coming from Chicago was delighted beyond expression to be accommodated at this Hospice and she expressed in the following words to the House Mother her sentiments: "Oh!" said she, "Will you not please see to it that this lovely, homey place becomes better known in Chicago and throughout the West; tell the pastors of it and all who are interested in the welfare of the girls; this splendid Colonial Homestead with its lovely setting of grass and trees and its genuine Christian atmosphere, its good meals, its large comfortable bedrooms, reading, writing and living rooms and its helpful little song service every evening, is a veritable haven of rest and safety to the tired business girl. Please, let others know about it."

V. Miscellaneous Institutions.

2. *Tabor Home for Children, Doylestown, Pa.*

The object of the founding of the Home was to correlate the work of the orphanage by taking care of needy and destitute children not eligible for admission to the latter institution.

The Home owns a farm of 96 acres, about a mile south of Doylestown, on the Doylestown and Willow Grove pike, readily accessible from Philadelphia by rail or trolley. The buildings were changed sufficiently to adapt them to the needs of the Home, and in 1921 the fine stone barn was remodeled into a dormitory for the larger boys, at a cost of $29,000.

The Home is taking care of 65 to 70 children, who are in direct charge of the matron, Sister Lina Beideck, and her two associate Sisters from the Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses.

Children are received from two years up, and given Christian training, with the advantage of a public school on the grounds of the Home for the younger ones, and the higher grades nearby. Boys are discharged at 16 and girls at 18, and every effort is made to equip them, if possible, for the branch of work in which they desire to engage.

3. *The Children's Receiving Home, Maywood, Ill.*

The Children's Receiving Home in Maywood, Ill., was opened in October, 1919, by the Lutheran Woman's League of Chicago and vicinity. The League is inter-synodical and has a membership of 1400 women.

The Home was opened for the purpose of giving temporary care to dependent children of whom we find a great number in the Juvenile Court and elsewhere.

The Home is small, with a capacity of only 18 children, nevertheless we thank God that the League has been able in the past three years to care for 34 boys and 28 girls. Of these 62 children, 12 were infants under 2 years.

Remaining in the Home June 1 there were 24 children.

The League is carrying on a campaign for a Building Fund, and hopes to be able to make room for many more of these Christ's little ones, who look to the Lutheran Woman's League for help.

4. *Tiding Over Home for Children, Gravesend, Brooklyn, N. Y.*

The Tiding Over Home for Children was opened on March 21, 1922, to admit children whose parents were ill or temporarily disabled and needed someone to tide over their children for them.

A place for the care of such children is often imperative for parents or others if they are to come out of their distress permanently.

Our aim is not only to take care of the children as to their needs but to teach them the Word of God and His way to live.

Up to the present we have been able through our ministry to spare the lives of 14 mothers and grandmothers by tiding over the children during illness at home. We were also enabled to strengthen and build up physically a number of other boys and girls who were not sent to us on account of sickness in the home.

Our capacity is but 18. We could take care of many more if there were a place where we could put them. We would be filled to overflowing all the time even if we had a greatly enlarged house.

Many letters of real appreciation of our work have come to us showing that which we are doing to be truly appreciated.

6. *The Artmann Home for Lutherans, Sellersville, Pa.*

The Artmann Home for Lutherans at Sellersville, Pa., was founded three years ago under the will of the late E. R. Artmann. It is a home conducted more on the order of a family than an institution. Lutherans of all ages and both sexes may be admitted, but its guests so far have been limited to elderly ladies only.

The Home receives no support from any source except its own endowment fund, which is $50,000, and two farms comprising 228 acres of land. The number of guests is therefore limited to the Home's small income. Eight guests are in the Home and the waiting list is growing rapidly.

The building occupied now does not accommodate more than the small number cared for. The Board is however planning for a large work. The need for this kind of Home it is now conducting is greatly felt.

VI. Hospitals.

2. *The Lutheran Hospital of Manhattan, New York City.*

For a century the Lutherans of Manhattan were indebted to other churches or to the city institutions for the hospital care of their sick. Within a few years they have erected a small hospital of their own, having a capacity of one hundred beds which during the past year cared for 773 patients.

The assets of the hospital amount to $213,000 upon which there is an indebtedness of $117,000.

A small number of Lutheran Churches have taken an active interest in the work, but the directors have confidence that others will soon realize the significance and importance of the work and will not permit it to languish for lack of Lutheran support.

VII. Seamen and Immigrant Missions.

1. *The Lutheran Seamen's Mission in the Port of New York.*

The Lutheran Seamen's Mission in the port of New York has reasserted its importance after the war.

The traffic to Great Britain is still overwhelmingly carried in British ships, whereas the war-born American merchant marine has her ships ply mostly to north continental ports, especially in Germany, Danzig, and the Baltic States. Most of the big liners berth in the Hoboken piers. About 50% of the crews speak German. As far as they are religiously interested these men are Lutherans, with a few Roman Catholics in between.

We find that most of the American seamen are of German or Scandinavian parentage, Lutherans also.

The Seamen's Mission waits for the definite location of piers on the New York side to the American and allied German lines before erecting New York headquarters, for which the first funds have been made available.

A working agreement has been entered into between the Seamen's and Emigrant Mission, to make both organizations more efficient. The Missionaries visit all incoming ships; those lying sick in the hospitals are not forgotten; help is extended wherever needed.

The Gospel is preached in the Home where 100 men lodge every night, and about 200 visit the reading room daily. The facilities of the Home include a library and baths.

The safe keeping of sailor's wages and a mail service very important for the wanderers on the sea form part of the service offered. Entertainments on winter evenings are arranged to bring to the men the spirit of Christian fellowship. They are crowned by the Christmas service and celebration in which nearly every man in port takes part.

In this time of estrangement of large groups of industrial workers from church and religion the Seamen's Mission finds a way to the hearts of the men and we are thankful to find here and there an open ear for the Message of Christ.

2. *Lutheran Emigrants' House Association, New York City.*

The Lutheran Emigrants' House Association, the former well-known "Lutherische Emigrantenhaus" on State Street (founded by the Rev. W. Berkemeier) has removed its offices from 147 West 23rd St., New York City to the Seamen's Mission Building, 64 Hudson St., Hoboken, N. J. Rev. H. Brueckner has been placed in charge of the work since Jan. 1, 1922.

Its activities consist mainly in meeting immigrants and travelers upon the arrival of the transatlantic steamers, sending them to suitable hotels and homes or to the trains which carry them to their final destination. Another branch of the work consists in aiding them to find employment in good positions with respectable people. Efforts are also made to locate lost friends and relatives on this side of the ocean.

The best means for the promotion of the mission work among the immigrants is sought constantly.

During 1920-1921 about 200 cases were handled. While during the last twelve months the number increased to 325. All were transatlantic travelers, many of them United States citizens who were glad that the aid and the benefits offered by the Lutheran Emigrants' House Association were available to them.

VIII. Inner Mission Societies.

2. *Lutheran Inner Mission Society, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

The Lutheran Inner Mission Society, 401 Pittsburgh Life Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., organized 1907, incorporated 1918, governed by an elected Board of 15 members, ministers to an institutional constituency of over 3,500 souls, scattered through 36 charitable, corrective and penal institutions in Alleghany County.

During the year ending April 1 last, 929 services were conducted in hospitals, almshouses, prisons and charitable institutions; and 11,905 bedside visits were reported.

Nine baptisms, 2 marriages, 114 communions, and 2 funerals were conducted. 1727 Bibles and portions, 11,905 tracts and 28,185 church papers and secular magazines were distributed among shut-ins and institutional wards in 17 languages.

Family welfare department cared for over 260 court wards besides hospital care, legal aid and relief given to many others.

Weekly services were conducted at one of the rescue missions and during the summer open air services were conducted in one of the congested sections of the city.

Student work among over 400 Lutheran students involved meetings, study groups and personal visitation. A student house is to be opened this year.

The summer camp cared for 581 guests and 466 week-end visitors, and sheltered the four-day pastors' retreat attended by 28 pastors. 14 church vacation schools enrolled over 1,200 children taught by 68 workers from 17 congregations. The Training School enrolled 122 students from 28 congregations. A faculty of five instructs in Bible, Lutheranistics, Missions and Religious Education.

Christmas cheer covered 20 institutions and reached 1,300 inmates, patients and shut-ins. The Inner Mission Monthly has over 4,600 subscribers. Two bequests came in during the year. The Womans' Auxiliary has 194 members, meets monthly in sectional meetings, assists in general work and raised $2,380. The Society owns and operates the Hospice and employs five workers who are assisted by over 100 volunteers. The membership of the Society is nearly 4,500.

3. *The Inner Mission Society of the Lutheran Church in New York.*

The Inner Mission Society of the Lutheran Church in New York maintains two city missionaries who preach regularly on Welfare Island where the city institutions are clustered and at the Washington Square Home for Friendless Girls. Also a salaried lay worker and part-time worker who with volunteer assistants have charge of the Christian Service work at the Lutheran Hospital and regularly visit and bring succor to convalescents and other needy cases. The work among prisoners and their families has developed so that at present 65 prisoners' families and 40 former prisoners are under the Society's care.

The Society regularly provides entertainment for the shut-ins in institutions, distributes baskets of food to the poor, and is in constant touch with 50 Hospitals and Homes. It has organized the Church choirs for special Christmas and Easter song services at the hospitals.

The Society owns a farm of over 40 acres, the Wilbur Herrlich Memorial Fresh Air Home, in the operation of which the Brooklyn Inner Mission Society shares and in which 400 children from the tenements are each given a two weeks' outing during the summer. A paid staff of four is supplemented by volunteer workers from the churches.

A Woman's Auxiliary is active and efficient in spreading the Inner Mission spirit among the churches.

4. *The Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Buffalo, N. Y.*

We wish that we might give a glowing report about our Inner Mission Society, but our organization is still marking time. Since our Superintendent resigned, we have been without a full time worker. Two of our local pastors have given some time to the work. One visits the Ingleside Home regularly and conducts religious services; another visits the County Home.

The Inner Mission spirit of the city, however, is not gone, and we are positive that something surely will be done.

5. *The Inner Mission Society of Baltimore and Vicinity.*

Our work has had a sure growth. Keeping up the work in the hospitals and deepening the lives of those with whom we come in contact is still our first aim.

Court and family welfare work have pressed themselves upon us with force. We have tried to sow the seeds of truth in many hearts and know that it will bring forth fruit. Our pastors have given time and energy for conducting services, catechetical instruction and inspiring their people to help.

The ministry of love has been carried on at the State Sanatorium and at Eudowood, with services and communion. Our young people help largely at Bay View. Many good things are carried by them to the people there. At the city jail and penitentiary regular services are conducted. Work has begun at the Maryland Training School for Boys, and the Maryland Industrial School for Girls. The Exeter St. Rescue Mission for Women, the Florence Crittenden Mission, the Helping Up Mission, Grace and Hope Mission all are avenues through which our people serve. Visits are made and entertainments given at the Home for Incurables, the Aged People's Home, and the Nursery and Child's Hospital.

In addition there is help to arriving families, to needy families here, nursing attention, the distribution of the Message for the Day in hospitals, daily vacation Bible schools, week day religious classes, and much special work.

The Society has suffered a severe loss in the resignation of the superintendent, Rev. H. D. Newcomer. The work goes on through service by volunteers.

6. *The Inner Mission Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Reading and Vicinity.*

The Lutheran Inner Mission Society of Reading and Vicinity was organized in March, 1922. The active membership consists of Lutherans contributing one dollar or more annually.

The business is conducted by a Board of 21 managers, 6 pastors, 6 laywomen, and 9 laymen, who each serve for three years.

We have begun work in the hospitals of Reading. Weekly visits are made by a pastor to meet Lutheran patients. If they are members of local congregations the case is referred to the pastor. If they have no local membership the Society continues to visit the patient and give any service that may be needed.

The Society has a Hospice Committee that assists Lutheran young women employed in the city to get suitable boarding places in Lutheran families if possible, and if not in such families or boarding houses as have been approved by the Committee.

IX. Deaconess Motherhouse.

1. *The Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee, Wis.*

The Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse at Milwaukee, Wis., is a development out of the activities of the Rev. W. A. Passavant, D.D., who introduced the first deaconesses into America in 1849. It was organized in Milwaukee in 1893. At the present there are 54 Sisters connected with the Motherhouse, 39 being consecrated deaconesses and 15 probationers. The Sisters come from congregations of different Synods; 3 from the Ohio Synod; 3 from the Missouri; 7 from the Wisconsin; 9 from the United Lutheran; 26 from Iowa; 6 from different Synods.

The Institutions affiliated with the Motherhouse are: Milwaukee Hospital and Layton Home at Milwaukee, Wis.; the Passavant Hospital at Pittsburgh, Pa.; the Orphans' Home and Farm School at Zelienople, Pa. and the Home for Epileptics, Rochester, Pa.

Sisters of the Motherhouse are also stationed at the Home for the Aged of the Pittsburgh Synod, Zelineople, Pa. and the Orphans' Home and the Home for the Aged of the Iowa Synod at Toledo, Ohio.

The officers are at present, Rev. H. L. Fritschel, General Director; Rev. August Gruhn, Rector; Sister Catherine Dentzer, Directing Sister.

The Passavant Institutions.

As there is great confusion in the classification of the Passavant institutions it seems best to include the following statement in our report.

"The Institution of Protestant Deaconesses" is the corporate name of an association organized in the year 1850 by Rev. W. A. Passavant, D.D., for the relief of the sick, the care of the orphans, and the exercise of mercy to the unfortunate and destitute. The Association consists of all the consecrated Deaconesses of the Deaconess Motherhouse, in conjunction with a Board of Managers of nine persons. Only Lutherans may become members of the Association.

The Association is not directly connected with any Synod, but co-operates with different Synods in its merciful ministrations. This association has built up and owns the Passavant Hospital, Pittsburgh; the Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse, Milwaukee; the Milwaukee Hospital, the Layton Home, Milwaukee; the Home for the Care of Epileptics at Rochester,

Pa.; the Orphans' Home and Farm School at Zelienople, Pa. (recently assigned to a Board of the Pittsburgh Synod). The Passavant Hospital at Chicago is owned and conducted by a subsidiary of this Association.

Respectfully submitted,
E. F. BACHMANN, *President,*
WM. FREAS, *Executive Secretary.*

Dr. Bachmann explained the meaning of the term Inner Mission and the complicated task for which the term stands.

The Rev. Wm. Freas, Secretary-Treasurer, was introduced and spoke of the magnitude of the work and the challenge which it presents. Pastor E. Walter, of the Tabitha Home, spoke especially of that institution and its need of the help of the United Lutheran Church.

The Report was adopted.

The Rev. John Weidley, President of the Board of the National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C., presented the Report of that Board, emphasizing especially the beauty of the work for the aged.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED

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II. DEATHS.

1. We first call attention to the sad losses we have sustained in the death of three members of the Board of Lady Managers. All of them had been connected with the magagement of the Home since its founding.

Mrs. Robert Bowdler, of Washington, D. C., died December 21st, 1921. She was a member of Keller Memorial Lutheran Church, Rev. S. T. Nicholas, D.D., pastor. For many years she was the Treasurer of the Board of Lady Managers. In addition to the exacting duties of the office in many ways she showed her interest in and love for the Home.

Mrs. Samuel T. Domer died on February 20th, 1922. She was the widow of the Rev. Samuel T. Domer, D.D., who for more than twenty-five years was pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran congregation, Washington, D. C. The President of the Board of Trustees was invited to assist in the funeral service. Mrs. Domer had been one of the Vice-Presidents of the Board of Lady Managers. She was enthusiastic in her work for the maintenance and welfare of the Home.

Mrs. M. E. Parker died on March 25th, 1922. She was the widow of Mr. J. C. Parker for many years a merchant in the city of Washington. He was also a member of the Board of Trustees. Both of them gave of their time and money to the Home. In her will Mrs. Parker named the Home as one of the beneficiaries.

We wish we had the power to tell with pen the splendid work done by these Christian women during the quarter of a century they were in a very definite way associated with the management of this splendid Home. In recognition of their unselfish service and untiring devotion we herewith record our sincere appreciation.

2. *Deaths in the Home Family*—Mrs. Pauline Vottler, October 28, 1920; Miss Eliza Diehl, July 21, 1921; Mr. Oliver Cressman, March 6, 1921; Mr. Franklin Stecher, October 14, 1921; Mr. Josiah Yorgey, March 31, 1921; Miss Elizabeth Shaffer, November 21, 1921; Mrs. Louisa Fisk, October 21, 1921; Mrs. Salome Thress, February 10, 1921; Mrs. Jerusha Schaeffer, November 12, 1920; Mr. William Hepler, April 23, 1922.

This number is not excessive when we take into account that the best years of their physical strength were spent before they came to the Home. Some of the members reach a high number. The oldest one now in the Home was born on the 26th day of August, 1822. She is blind and a little deaf. If she is living on the 26th day of August, 1922, we are going to have a special birthday celebration for her. The next oldest member is in her 95th year. Her sight is good, her hearing is good, and she maintains an interest in things general.

III. Accessions.

Mrs. Harriet Hauf, Washington, D. C., November 18, 1920.
Mrs. Agnes Crissman, Altoona, Pa., December 6, 1920.
Miss Rebecca J. Gulick, Northumberland, Pa., January 6, 1921.
Miss Clara Gulick, Northumberland, Pa., January 6, 1921.
Miss Ermina J. Kurtz, Waynesboro, Pa., October 14, 1921.
Miss Anna K. Henkel, Baltimore, Md., November 5, 1921.
Miss Elizabeth J. Robinson, Baltimore, Md., January 5, 1922.

Mrs. Annie B. Fleagle, Hummelstown, Pa., January 16, 1922.
Mr. Amos Rebert, Jefferson, Pa., March 2, 1922.
Mr. Abraham Grubb, Liverpool, Pa., May 4, 1922.

IV. Waiting List.

There are thirteen applicants now on the waiting list, and a number of applications yet to be considered. All of them seem to be worthy. Repeated requests are made if they cannot soon be admitted. We are hindered by lack of room.

V. Withdrawals.

Three members withdrew voluntarily from the Home—Mrs. Anna E. Rizer, Mr. Abraham VanGundy, Rev. Alvin T. Ludwig.

VI. Painting of Living Rooms.

The new building has been in use for seven years. The walls of the living rooms were very sorely in need of paint. There was no money in the treasury to pay for the extra expense. The income from the Church does not pay for more than two-thirds of the actual running expenses. We had to make an appeal to the congregations having members in the Home. There are sixty living rooms. We received money enough to pay for the painting of thirty-four rooms. Twenty-six rooms are yet to be painted.

VII. Special Contributions.

There have been many gifts from individuals, classes, societies and congregations. A legacy of a thousand dollars from a member of the First Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md., Rev. Ezra K. Bell, D.D., Pastor. A legacy of five hundred dollars from Mr. William H. H. Fisher, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md., Rev. R. D. Clare, D.D., Pastor. A legacy of five hundred dollars from Mrs. M. E. Parker, Church of the Reformation, Washington, D. C., Rev. John Weidley, Pastor. Mrs. M. E. Norment, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Utermahle, the kind donor of the Home farm, donated the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Money, fruit, vegetables, jellies and clothing were sent by others. A Sunday School class sent fruit and ornamental trees. Automobile trips were given to the aged. Entertainments were conducted. There has been more activity in supplying the means for a pleasant time for the members of the Home this past year than at any previous period. The religious service is not neglected. There is morning and evening prayer. Regular worship every Sunday afternoon in the chapel conducted by the pastors of the Washington Churches. Their choirs and other members of the congregations assist them. The ladies of the Missionary Societies have a mission meeting once every month. Exposition of the Sunday School lesson every Friday evening in charge of a teacher from Keller Memorial Congregation. In addition to the help of Sister Mabel Stanley of the Baltimore Motherhouse, there are two nurses for the aged, Margaret Powers and Alice Pauk. There are two

physicians on the Home staff. As much as it is in our power the members are cared for spiritually, physically, socially. For the maintenance of the Home, the table, the help, the light, the heat, the water, the coal, the farm, it costs us one dollar per day per member.

VIII. Acknowledgments.

The Board is truly grateful to the United Lutheran Church in America for its support, though it gave us but sixty-seven per cent. of the amount promised in the budget. To the societies, congregations and individual contributors we offer our thanks. Every gift, no matter how small, is heartily appreciated. Special mention must be made of the sustained interest of the Board of Lady Managers. The register of their names and officers appears elsewhere in this report. To the Church at large we commend the interest of the Home. The Home is an answer to prayer. Its worth has been recognized. We invite your help, gifts in money, clothing, canned goods, fruits, vegetables, toweling, soap, books, magazines, legacies, annuities. When you visit the beautiful city of Washington, D. C., the pride of every American, the cynosure of the nations of the world: when your heart thrills as you think of your national blessings, let your joy be made complete by a visit to the Home which you help to support, and which is a child of your Church.

IX. Executive Committee.

The minutes of the Recording Secretary indicate the work done by the Executive Committee, composed of the members of the Board of Trustees resident in the city of Washington. They give their time and service gratuitously. The duties sometimes are exacting but are a cheerful response to the appeal of the helpless who ask for creature-comforts when the evening of life has come.

Acousticon.

Through the kindness of the Sunday Schools of the Lutheran Churches of Washington, D. C., an acousticon was erected in the chapel for the benefit of the members who are more or less deaf.

Respectfully,

John Weidley, *President.*

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1922.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN HOME FOR THE AGED, WASHINGTON, D. C., FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDED JULY 31, 1922

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Legacy and Trust Fund	New Building Fund
United Lutheran Church	$13,427.44	$.....	$.....
District of Columbia, land condemned for extension of 17th and Bryant streets	2,529.95	.....	.....
Inmates of Home	.....	1,986.97	
Death Benefits, Oliver H. Cressman	.....	449.90	
Life Insurance, Emma Shuler	.....	45.20	
Collection of Welsh Note	1,000.00	.....	.....
Admission Fees	850.00	.....	.....
Donations	415.97	.....	200.00
Sale of Farm Products	25.00	.....	.....
Sale of Post Cards	26.40	.....	.....
Income from Securities, etc.	265.81	.....	.....
Bank Interest	48.46	.....	.....
	$18,589.03	$2,482.07	$200.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Board of Lady Managers for Domestic Expenses	$6,600.00	$.....	$.....
Farm Labor and Expenses	2,781.83	.....	.....
Gas, Electricity and Fuel	2,333.25	.....	.....
Engineer's Wages	900.00	.....	.....
Medical and Nursing Expense	2,309.52	.....	.....
Religious Services	265.00	.....	.....
Funeral Expenses	564.78	.....	.....
New Barn	2,142.46	.....	.....
Repairs to Buildings, Plumbing, etc.	456.36	.....	.....
Washing Machine, Rugs and Chairs	1,000.62	.....	.....
Interest, as annexed	25.00	924.13	.....
Withdrawn by Inmates	.....	2,093.00	.....
Salary of President	250.00	.....	.....
Salary of Treasurer	500.00	.....	.....
Expenses of Board Meetings	40.42	.....	.....
Legal and Auditing Expense	322.00	.....	.....
Printing, Stationery and Postage	192.69	.....	.....
Telephone	157.05	.....	.....
Insurance	38.60	.....	.....
Taxes and Water Rent	114.72	.....	.....
General Expenses	79.21	.....	.....
	$21,073.51	$3,017.13	.....
Excess or *Deficit* of Receipts	*$2,484.48*	*$535.06*	$200.00

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Balance, August 1, 1920	$ 5,397.98
Add, Receipts as above	21,271.10
	$26,669.08
Deduct, Disbursements as above	24,090.64
Balance, July 31, 1921	$2,578.44

INTEREST PAID

for the year ended 31st July, 1921.

Mrs. Anna E. Riser	$151.61
Rev. Alvin T. Ludwig	118.58
Dr. M. B. Croll	104.86
W. M. Hepler	66.00
Mrs. Frances E. K. Dirgman	60.00
Franklin Z. Stecher	65.25
Oliver H. Cressman	24.00
Mrs. Laura J. Minnigh	33.00
Mrs. Catherine A. Conrad	39.04
J. H. Yorgey	15.00
Mrs. C. C. Yutzy	24.34
Mrs. Alice L. Killinger	18.00
Miss H. Annie Peters	18.00
Miss Elizabeth H. Rullman	18.00
Mrs. Anna C. Bell	17.16
Miss Agnes C. Keagey	16.32
Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell	18.84
Miss Elizabeth Shaffer	15.00
Mrs. Regina Holland	26.54
Mrs. Elizabeth E. Fair	11.45
Mrs. Eliza J. Diehl	6.54
Mrs. Elizabeth Eschenauer	6.00
Mrs. Mary A. Kistner	6.00
Miss A. Isabella Ziegler	5.42
Mrs. Dora L. Summers	4.70
Mrs. Sarah Schutz	3.60
Miss Louisa Smith	3.58
Miss Elizabeth Ringer	3.00
Miss Catherine Chamberlain	3.00
Miss Alice Eppley	3.00
Mrs. Lydia M. Copland	15.00
John W. Crismore	1.80
Miss Rebecca Gulick	1.50
Interest paid on Investments of Guests	$924.13
Annuity Interest, Mrs. Anna Ehrehart	25.00
Total Interest Paid	$949.13

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

Receipts.

	General Fund	Legacy and Trust Fund
United Lutheran Church, on apportionment	$12,438.80	.....
District of Columbia, land condemned for Public School	2,954.23	.....
Inmates of Home	.....	$4,562.63
Acousticon Fund	30.00	.....
Collection on Cunningham Note	.....	500.00
Proceeds of sale of Property held as collateral for Cunningham Note	218.14	.....
Admission Fees	1,098.24	.....
Donations, General	1,673.26	.....
Donations for Room Renovations	1,233.00	.....
Sale of Farm Products	33.20	.....
Sale of Post Cards	29.85	.....
Income from Securities, etc.	174.34	.....
Bank Interest	48.80	.....
	$19,931.86	$5,062.63

Disbursements.

Board of Lady Managers for Domestic Expenses	$6,600.00	.....
Farm Labor and Expenses	3,020.32	.....
Gas, Electricity and Fuel	1,939.43	.....
Engineer's Wages	900.00	.....
Medical and Nursing Expense	2,235.54	.....
Religious Services	230.00	.....
Funeral Expenses	724.42	.....
Granite Cross and Markers at Cemetery	825.00	.....
New Barn	822.08	.....
Repairs to Buildings, Plumbing, etc.	763.14	.....
Renovation of Rooms	1,265.00	.....
Purchase of File and Lamp	42.45	.....
Interest, as annexed	705.05	.....
Withdrawn by Inmates	.....	$1,515.45
Salary of President	250.00	.....
Salary of Treasurer	500.00	.....
Expenses of Board Meetings	39.85	.....
Legal and Auditing Expense	170.29	.....
Printing, Stationery and Postage	98.09	.....
Telephone	167.17	.....
Insurance	49.40	.....
Taxes and Water Rent	120.35	.....
General Expenses	196.72	.....
	$21,664.30	$1,515.45
Excess or *Deficit* of Receipts	*$1,732.44*	$3,547.18

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

Balance, August 1, 1921	$2,578.44
Add, Receipts as above	24,994.49
	$27,572.93
Deduct, Disbursements as above	23,179.75
Balance, July 31, 1922	$4,393.18

INTEREST PAID

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

Rev. Alvin T. Ludwig	$60.25
Dr. M. B. Croll	108.04
W. M. Hepler	66.00
Frances E. R. Dingman	60.00
Regina Holland	37.87
Laura J. Minnigh	33.00
Catherine A. Conrad	39.04
C. C. Yutzy	24.70
Alice L. Kellinger	18.00
Fannie Peters	18.00
Elizabeth F. Rullman	18.00
Anna C. Bell	17.16
Agnes C. Keagey	18.14
Elizabeth Campbell	18.84
Lydia M. Copland	15.00
Elizabeth E. Fair	11.50
Elizabeth Eschenauer	6.00
Mary A. Kistner	6.00
Katherine Henkel	12.40
A. Isabella Ziegler	5.42
Dora L. Summers	4.70
Sarah Schultz	3.60
John W. Crismore	3.60
Louisa Smith	3.58
Elizabeth Ringer	3.00
Rebecca Gulick	43.51
Catherine Chamberlain	3.00
Alice Eppley	3 00
Catherine E. Caufman	2.20
Annie B. G. Fleagle	7.50
Elizabeth J. Robinson	9.00
Interest paid on Investments of Guests	$680.05
Annuity Interest, Mrs. Anna Ehrehart	25.00
Total Interest Paid	$705.05

BALANCE SHEET

31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash:			
Home Savings Bank		$2,872.77	
Columbia National Bank		1,223.54	
Washington Loan and Trust Co.		296.87	
			$4,393.18
Securities, at ledger values:			
U. S. Government Securities:			
$50 First Liberty Loan 3½s	$50.00		
650 Second Liberty Loan 4¼s	650.00		
100 Third Liberty Loan 4¼s	100.00		
10 War Savings Stamps	10.00		
		$810.00	
Other Securities:			
$500 Masonic Hall Association of D. C. 4s, 1924	$500.00		
500 Milford Improvement Co. 5s 1930	500.00		
1,000 United Railways and Electric Co. of Baltimore 4s, 1949	1,000.00		
4 Shares B. & O. Common Stock	400.00		
9 Shares American Tel. & Tel. Co. Common Stock	900.00		
		3,300.00	
Note:			
V. Winifred Cunningham, July 16, 1909, due July 16, 1911, 5 pct., defaulted. (Secured by Deed of Trust on Washington Real Estate)		2,000.00	
			6,110.00
Real Estate, etc.:			
Grundy County Tract, Tennessee		$200.00	
National Lutheran Home Property, Washington, D. C.		27,598.00	
New Building		91,555.64	
Farmer's Cottage		3,000.00	
New Barn		2,000.00	
Bedford, Pa., share of Fetterly Bequest		1,606.83	
			125,960.47
			$136,463.65

FUNDS.

Legacy and Trust Fund	$47,632.74	
New Building Fund	91,955.64	
	$139,588.38	
Less, General Fund Deficit	*3,124.73*	
		$136,463.65

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY T. DOMER,
Treasurer.

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of the National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C., for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet, Receipts and Dis-

bursements, etc., are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

The Report was adopted.

The Report of the Board of Deaconess Work was presented by the Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, President of the Board. He emphasized the dignity of the calling of the deaconess.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK

The Board of Deaconess Work would respectfully present the following report, for the biennium closing July 31, 1922.

The Board met on November 9, 1920, in the Mary J. Drexel Home and Motherhouse of Deaconesses at Philadelphia. Rev. W. H. Dunbar, D.D., was elected Honorary President; Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, D.D., President; Rev. G. Albert Getty, D.D., Vice President; Rev. Charles E. Hay, D.D., General Secretary; Frederick J. Singley, Esq., Treasurer.

On December 24, 1920, Doctor Dunbar, who was the first Pastor of the Motherhouse, and who had been in continuous service as the President of the Board until his election in 1920 as Honorary President, was called to his eternal reward. His wise counsel and his influence in the Church at large contributed much to the permanent establishment of the deaconess work in the General Synod and its co-ordination with that of the other American Lutheran motherhouses. Rev. J. Luther Hoffman was elected to fill the unexpired term of Doctor Dunbar upon the Board and its Executive Committee.

I. GENERAL EFFORTS.

The Deaconess Cause has been presented by the General Secretary, members of the Board and the pastors of the motherhouses at many synodical conventions, women's missionary societies and educational institutions. Our deaconesses have cheerfully responded to invitations to speak upon the basis of their personal experience in the work. Mrs. W. P. M. Braun, the Deaconess Secretary of the General Women's Missionary Society, and the deaconess secretaries of the various synodical societies have shown commendable zeal in the dissemination of literature and the securing of candidates.

Early in January, 1920, a circular letter was addressed to all pastors of the United Lutheran Church, requesting them to send to the pastors of either of the three motherhouses co-operating upon our territory the names of young women to whom deaconess literature might be addressed in the hope of interesting them personally in the calling. Nearly 2,000 names were received in response and to each of these a personal letter and appropriate leaflets were sent.

A large edition of a tract entitled "Deaconess Catechism" was published and distributed, two full-page and a number of smaller advertisements

inserted in *The Lutheran* from time to time and three original oil paintings, 28x42 inches in size, were secured from Professor Lesshafft of Philadelphia, the cost being equally divided between the Philadelphia and Baltimore motherhouses. These paintings illustrate three of the leading departments of deaconess service, i. e., nursing, teaching and parish work. The deaconess in each case is depicted in the garb of one of the three motherhouses at Philadelphia, Baltimore and Milwaukee.

These efforts have not been without immediate results and it may be expected that fruits of the abundant sowing may continue to be reaped for years to come.

A unique feature of the Board's activity was the consecration of a colored woman, Sister Emma Francis, as a deaconess of the United Lutheran Church. She is a cultured woman, a native of the Virgin Islands, trained in a German motherhouse and laboring efficiently in the Virgin Islands under Danish supervision. Upon the request of the Board, she was enrolled temporarily as a member of the Philadelphia Motherhouse and by it assigned for duty among people of her own race in the Harlem district of New York City. With the co-operation of the West Indies Board, it is hoped that the beginning thus made may lead at an early day to the establishment by the Board of a motherhouse for colored deaconesses.

II. The Baltimore Motherhouse.

As the Baltimore Motherhouse is owned and directly controlled by the United Lutheran Church, we present a somewhat detailed account of its activities.

Courses of Training.

The course of training for the deaconess calling, the one-year course for Christian workers, and the kindergarten course have been regularly conducted. At the end of the first year of the biennium, Dr. Foster U. Gift resigned as Acting Superintendent of Instruction and his special duties were assumed by the Pastor and Training Sister. He continued, however, to conduct two weekly classes. The Pastor has taught several hours weekly and regular classroom instruction has been given by Dr. S. J. McDowell, Rev. Henry Manken, Dr. George S. Bowers, Rev. C. J. Hines, the Head Sister, Training Sister and Mrs. C. E. Hay. Special lectures or courses of lectures have been given by Drs. L. M. Zimmerman, F. P. Manhart, E. H. Delk, F. H. Knubel, A. S. Hartman, L. B. Wolf, J. F. Ohl, E. K. Bell, U. S. G. Rupp, C. F. Steck, L. Kuhlman and A. Pohlman and by Revs. I. C. Hoffman, W. S. Freas, P. Z. Strodach and P. I. Morentz, and by Mrs. C. E. Hay and several experienced deaconesses.

Drs. J. B. Culverhouse, George Bawden and Eugene Zeller have conducted regular weekly classes. Dr. Charles E. Sadtler has given faithful medical attendance, and Dr. John B. Deaver of Philadelphia and Dr. A. D. McConachie have performed several surgical operations very successfully and without charge. Dr. George Loeffler has rendered dental service upon very generous terms.

Dr. Foster U. Gift has been elected Superintendent of Instruction and Associate Pastor, entering upon the duties of the office on July 1, 1922. The general direction of the educational work of the institution will be under his supervision. The services of a number of the teachers will be retained. A model school of religious instruction for children will be conducted in the lecture room of Calvary Lutheran Church, in which the candidates and students will have the privilege of observation and participation in teaching.

The Motherhouse will co-operate to the fullest possible extent with the Parish and Church School Board in promoting the system of weekday religious instruction throughout the Church. The regular course of training will embrace preparation for this and Doctor Gift will cheerfully render assistance to congregations desiring to establish such courses.

Ten probationers have received the benefit of practical experience in nursing in the Lankenau Hospital at Philadelphia, two in the Church Home of Baltimore, and four in the Maryland General Hospital of Baltimore.

An Industrial School has been conducted in the Motherhouse every Saturday afternoon and a daily Christian Kindergarten. Five students have specialized in kindergarten work, receiving technical instruction and participating regularly in the teaching of the children.

Consecrations.

Miss Rose Barbour, a former Sister of the Milwaukee Motherhouse having withdrawn from the diaconate and labored for several years under other auspices, was, with the full consent of the Milwaukee Motherhouse, consecrated at a special service on September 9, 1921. On April 25, 1922, Sisters Bessie Engstrom and Theodora Schmidt were consecrated, after addresses by Rev. J. L. Hoffman and Rev. E. W. Simon, D.D.

Number of Sisters.

There are at present 42 consecrated Sisters and 17 probationers in regular connection with the Motherhouse, being an increase of 10 within the biennium.

Work of the Sisters.

Parish work has been done within the biennium in 26 congregations, as follows: Christ, St. John's and Atonement, New York City; Zion, Syracuse, N. Y.; First Albany, N. Y.; Redeemer, Jersey City, N. J.; St. Matthew's and Messiah, Philadelphia, Pa.; Memorial, Harrisburg, Pa.; Zion, York, Pa.; St. Peter's, Middletown, Pa.; Zion, Sunbury, Pa.; St. Luke's, Cumberland, Md.; Trinity, Hagerstown, Md.; Reformation, Christ and First, Baltimore; Trinity, Canton, O.; Trinity, Akron, O.; First, Wheeling, W. Va.; First, Richmond, Va.; St. John's, Charleston, S. C.; St. Stephen's, Pittsburgh; First, New Kensington, Pa.; St. John's, Allentown, Pa.; First, Johnstown, Pa.

Two Sisters are laboring in Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Neb.; one, in the National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C.; one, in the Orphans' Home, Loysville, Pa.; one, in the Franke Home for the Aged,

Charleston, S. C. One is conducting the Lutheran Settlement House in Philadelphia. One is in charge of the Girls' Hospice, Baltimore. One is Visitor of the Inner Mission Society of Baltimore among the hospitals and poor of the city. Three are serving in Muhlenberg Mission in Africa. One is in the Virgin Islands.

Special Students.

Twenty-four young women have been enrolled in the One Year Course for Christian Workers, five of whom elected the Kindergarten Course, and three of whom returned as candidates for the diaconate.

Gifts.

A bequest of $135 was received from the estate of Mrs. L. L. Foose, of Altoona, Pa., and a number of substantial contributions from individuals, congregations and Sunday Schools.

Conflagration.

At 2 A. M. on the morning of April 13th, a sudden fire of unknown origin utterly destroyed the barn and poultry house and so seriously damaged the engineer's residence as to compel its abandonment. The actual loss was almost entirely covered by insurance. The buildings are being replaced at much greater expense than the original cost, but in more permanent shape.

Repairs, Etc.

The sewerage system of the city having been extended to our property, it was necessary to make connection with the Motherhouse and both cottages upon the grounds. The cottage formerly rented was thoroughly renovated and prepared as a residence for the Superintendent of Instruction, and the exterior of the Motherhouse was painted.

III. The Philadelphia Motherhouse.

Though the oldest and largest Motherhouse in this country, the "Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses"—this is its full corporate title—is not yet as well known with its history, work, principles and place in the Church as is desirable and necessary for wholehearted co-operation on the part of the entire United Lutheran Church. Attention having been called to this fact, the Board of this Motherhouse presented a "Memorandum" to the Board of Deaconess Work, reciting the provisions of the charter and the actions of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and of the former General Council, which made this Motherhouse the Motherhouse of the General Council. The merger has made it a Motherhouse of the United Lutheran Church. By action of the Board of Deaconess Work said Memorandum is added to the report of this Board for the thorough information of all interested. Having all the obligations and privileges of a Motherhouse of the United Lutheran Church, a fact taken for granted and therefore not even referred to in any previous report to

this body, the Philadelphia Motherhouse, before reporting on its work, desires to state briefly its policy:

1. Young women devoting themselves to the diaconate are to receive the most thorough training possible for their work, irrespective of time or expense, whether they be probationers or deaconesses.

2. All labor is honorable, but only such physical labor is to be done by Sisters which is necessary for their training or which cannot well be entrusted to paid workers.

3. The Motherhouse must constantly aim at a reasonable variety of work to make possible broad training and the development and use of whatever special talents a Sister may have, be it for teaching, nursing, institutional, congregational, or social work.

4. The Sisters must share in the management of the Motherhouse and its affairs, not merely through the Directing Sister who like the Pastor is a voting member of the Board of Trustees, but also through the Sisters' Council, unless questions affecting the Sisterhood are directly submitted to the Sisters' Conference, the entire body of Deaconesses.

5. The essentials of the diaconate must ever remain in full harmony with the essentials of true discipleship of Christ. Non-essentials which have proven their value in the past, should be faithfully preserved. To demands of the present day, the female diaconate must adjust itself, unless fundamental interests be thereby jeopardized. The decision of such questions should rest with those who are actually engaged in the diaconate.

6. The Motherhouse is pledged to the fullest co-operation with the organized Church, her Boards, her institutions and her congregations, and must strive to secure and train young women for every phase of work in which deaconesses may be able to render effective service.

These principles of the Philadelphia Motherhouse underlie its policy, which from the beginning has stood for *service*. Already in 1888, at the dedication of the magnificent building erected by the founder, the late John D. Lankenau, Sisters were in training here for the Swedish Motherhouse to be founded in Omaha. The same service was rendered later when the Baltimore Motherhouse was organized, marking the beginning of co-operation in the practical training of its Sisters continued to this day. Sisters for other demoninations have spent months at the Motherhouse and courses have been given to missionaries, kindergartners, and other Christian workers. The further development of this service will depend almost entirely on the co-operation of the Church, especially by furnishing qualified young women in sufficient number.

Of the most important facts and of the many events affecting the life and work of the Motherhouse during the past biennium, space permits only a summary reference to a few of general interest.

1. *The Management*—The charter provides for a self-perpetuating Board of Trustees of nine members, together with the Pastor and the Directing

Sister as voting members "ex officio." By later requests of the Board, the Ministerium of Pennsylvania through its President appoints two representatives and the Board of Deaconess Work of the United Lutheran Church, one representative, who participate in the proceedings as advisory members and also act on special committees. Questions directly affecting the Sisterhood are referred to the Sisters' Conference to which all deaconesses belong, acting in minor matters through the Sisters' Council, elected by the Conference and meeting with the Directing Sister and the Pastor. Mr. William P. M. Braun is President of the Corporation.

2. *The Sisterhood* numbers seventy Deaconesses and seventeen Probationers; total eighty-seven.

3. *The Work*—A. *Hospital*—at our Children's Hospital, the Lankenau Hospital of Philadelphia and the Zurbrugg Memorial Hospital of Riverside, N. J., having annually a total of more than 4,500 house-patients and over 13,000 dispensary cases with over 60,000 visits. In this connection considerable social work is done by Sisters and salaried workers. Here we must also add the Kensington Dispensary for the Treatment of Tuberculosis, having usually about two hundred patients under treatment.

B. *Institutional—for the Aged*—the Mary J. Drexel Home with fifty, and St. John's Home, Erie, Pa., with thirty men and women; *for Children*—the Tabor Home, near Doylestown, Pa., for seventy destitute boys and girls, and the Preventorium River Crest, near Phoenixville, Pa., accommodating about twenty-five children at a time, who are threatened by tuberculosis.

C. *Educational*—The Lankenau School for Girls with ninety boarding and fifty day pupils in a twelve-year course of elementary, grammar and high school education, taught by a faculty of eighteen, of whom eight are Sisters. This school is accredited and has alumnae in several colleges and universities, though it aims to give a well balanced general Christian education rather than special preparation for collegiate courses.—The Kindergarten, with not less than fifty children enrolled, conducted by one of our Sisters who also trains Kindergarten teachers.

D. *Congregational*—in Zion's and in Tabor Church, Philadelphia; St. Paul's, New York City; St. John's, Easton, Pa.; St. John's, Erie, Pa.; and beginning with October 1st, in Holy Trinity, Norristown, Pa.

4. *Publications*—From 1888 until 1920 "Der Diakonissen Freund" was published monthly; since then quarterly. Since January 1922 "The Deaconess Messenger," a revival of "The Messenger," published for a short time over thirty years ago, has appeared as a quarterly. The former is still an important link between this Motherhouse and other Motherhouses of the Kaiserswerth Conference, while the latter is meeting the demand of many friends in our own land. Several leaflets published recently are found among the literature on the diaconate at this convention.

5. *A New Course*—Yielding to repeated and urgent requests, the Motherhouse has consented to arrange a two-year course for a limited number of young women desiring to train for Christian service without becoming

deaconesses. The course is to begin this fall in connection with the course for candidates for the diaconate.

6. *Needs*—A. *Workers*—There will ever be a shortage of thoroughly consecrated and capable deaconesses among us, even as such a shortage is one of the burdens of the motherhouses abroad, though some of them have over a thousand Sisters. This shortage in the face of an overwhelming task, is one of the means by which the Lord keeps us humble, and exercises our faith and our ingenuity in trying to meet an excessive demand with an insufficient supply. We would cheerfully continue our efforts to solve this quite impossible problem, were it not for two facts: 1. *The Church now is and will remain seriously handicapped* in her God-given task in the world *until the diaconate has found a fairly adequate development;* and 2. *talented and consecrated young women,* desiring to make the most of their life, *are missing one of the greatest opportunities* to contribute directly to the advancement of God's Kingdom, *by neglecting the diaconate.* Realizing these facts, the soul is filled with sadness, but also with a burning zeal for this cause.

B. *Finances*—The receipts from all sources for the biennium 1920 and 1921 were $154,842.67, the disbursements $160,067.19; a deficit of $5,224.52, due chiefly to the increased cost of maintenance and of labor. The Board of Trustees gratefully acknowledge the apportionment of $5,000 annually granted by the last convention, of which amount $4,000 were received in 1920 and $3,000 in 1921 from the Treasurer of the Deaconess Board. The accounts of the Treasurer are audited by the same public accountants engaged for such purpose by the United Lutheran Church.

7. *Important Events.*—A consecration service was held on Pentecost 1921, when five Probationers were set apart as Deaconesses, and another in 1922 when eight others were added, making the total of Deaconesses seventy. The Motherhouse welcomes the action of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania taken at its recent convention, looking forward to official representation at the consecration services.

At Easter, 1921, there were two candidates admitted as Probationers and on June 28, 1922, there were six, giving the Motherhouse a total of seventeen Probationers.

The Lord called to their eternal home three of our oldest Sisters. 1. On October 16, 1921, Sister Marie Sowa, at the age of 59, departed this life after thirty-five years of service. For many years she was the superintendent of the hospital at Easton, Pa., which, under her efficient management, enjoyed the fullest confidence of the public and the medical profession and experienced a most gratifying development. 2. Sister Emilie Schwartz, who died September 9, 1921, age 76, entered the service in 1889 to become the first Principal of our School for Girls. Later she was for two years Directing Sister and then Training Sister. She was a woman of rare culture of heart and mind. 3. Sister Wilhelmine Dittmann, a Deaconess for over fifty years, passed away on January 25, 1922, at the age of 73. She was one

of the original group of seven Deaconesses who came to Philadelphia on June 19, 1884, from Iserlohn, Germany, to take charge of the German Hospital. The Lord used this group to make the successful beginning of Lutheran Deaconess work in this country. During the last thirteen years of her life Sister Wilhelmine was the Directing Sister of our Motherhouse and as such wielded a powerful influence. Her life was indeed hidden with God. Her fine mind, wide experience, excellent memory and thorough consecration made her a rich source of information on all questions pertaining to the diaconate and a most valuable adviser in the face of problems. The memory of these Sisters, each one of whom wielded unusual influence in the lives of others, is blessed and will remain in many ways an inspiration to those who had the privilege to know them.

The new Directing Sister, Deaconess Julia Mergner, was installed in her office at the consecration service held on the afternoon of Pentecost, June 4th, 1922. Daughter of a pastor in the Lutheran Church in Bavaria, trained at the celebrated Motherhouse in Neuendettelsau, experienced as a Training Sister of the Philadelphia Motherhouse and as the Principal of our School for Girls, she inspires the fullest confidence of all who labor with her for the advancement of the diaconate in general and of the interests of the Philadelphia Motherhouse in particular. God grant the many prayers and good wishes expressed by officials of the Church, by Motherhouses and by many other friends on the occasion of her installation. From this event also dates the change of the official title from "Sister Superior" to "Directing Sister."

Sister Margaret Schueder, for fully twenty-five years a member of the faculty, and a most successful teacher, is now in charge of the Lankenau School.

Two of the Deaconesses are enrolled as regular students in Temple College, Philadelphia, the one in the course of pharmacy, the other in the teachers' course for dietitians. Two of the teaching Sisters took special courses at State College this summer.

Co-operation with the West Indies Mission Board was inaugurated with the consecration of Sister Emma Francis on Pentecost and her enrollment as a Sister of the Philadelphia Motherhouse until a special Motherhouse for deaconesses of her own people can be organized under the Deaconess Board of the United Lutheran Church. To aid further in this work, the Philadelphia Motherhouse is prepared to admit two young women selected by the West Indies Board for a one year's course of instruction and training. This was made possible by the favorable action on this question by the Probationers as well as by the Deaconesses of the Motherhouse who recognize in this situation an opportunity for the exercise of Christian brotherhood and for a contribution to real missionary work.

8. *Relation to the United Lutheran Church.*—The Board of Trustees of the Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses

at its regular meeting on April 19th, 1922, instructed its secretary to present to the Board of Deaconess Work of the United Lutheran Church a statement setting forth the relation of said Motherhouse to the United Lutheran Church, believing that such a statement would be not only of historical interest to the Board of Deaconess Work, but also aid this Board in whatever action it may in the future see fit to take affecting the Philadelphia Motherhouse or the Deaconess Work of the Church in general.

The Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses is incorporated under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania. Its charter was filed on November 7, 1887, and approved and recorded on December 12, 1887, in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia.

Article II of this Charter Reads:

II. The purposes for which this corporation is formed:

1. To establish, maintain and manage a home for the reception and support of well recommended, well behaved, perfectly sober and respectable aged couples, and aged single men and women, of German birth or descent, not suffering from any obnoxious or contagious diseases.

2. To establish, maintain and manage a Motherhouse or Institute for the maintenance, religious instruction and education of Deaconesses, who shall be members of the Lutheran Church, in accord with the faith, doctrine, discipline and usage of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States, and

3. To execute all trusts confided to it, for either or both of the purposes aforesaid.

Article VI Reads:

The corporation is to be managed by a board of nine trustees or managers, which shall be composed of all the corporators. The names and residences of those chosen for the first year are as above stated. All members of said Board shall adhere to the faith, and at least four of them shall be ministers of the Lutheran Church, recognized by the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and adjacent States. Three members of said Board shall also be members of the Board of Trustees of the German Hospital of the City of Philadelphia. Whenever any vacancy shall occur the remaining members shall proceed, within a reasonable time, to fill such vacancy by election of a person duly qualified.

In March, 1893, Section 2 of Article II of the Charter was amended so that the closing clause reads: "in accordance with the faith, doctrine, discipline and usage of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

Section 3, Article III, was amended so that "the corporation shall prosecute its aforesaid objects in the City of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, or in other States, if required.

The third sentence of Article VI was amended to read:

"All members of said Board shall adhere to the faith, and three of them

shall be ministers of the Lutheran Church, recognized by the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America."

This action was taken to assure a close relation to the General Council as well as to the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, though its founder never asked nor received any financial assistance from these bodies.

The By-Laws provide in 33, that the Pastor must be a member of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, even as the Motherhouse from the very beginning was closely connected with the Ministerium, which requires the Pastor to submit a report at its annual convention. For some years before the merger this Ministerium has had two officially appointed advisory members on the Board of the Motherhouse, assuring the closest possible cooperation of both bodies.

The General Council took the first official notice of the diaconate, at its convention in Philadelphia in 1885, by adjourning an hour before the usual time on Monday afternoon and visiting "in corpore" the German Hospital, to which that group of seven Sisters from Iserlohn, Germany, had come on June 19, 1884. All rejoiced in the purpose of Mr. John D. Lankenau to found a Deaconess Motherhouse.

At its convention in Chicago in 1886, the General Council adopted the recommendation of the Committee on the President's report, instructing the Vice Presidents of the General Council (i. e., the Presidents of Synods) to call the attention of the Pastors and congregations to this cause, in order to interest them in the support of the same by sending contributions and candidates.

In 1889 the Pittsburgh Convention of the General Council resolved "to authorize its Home Mission Committee to devote regularly a certain space in 'Siloah,' the official paper of said Board, to the deaconess cause, provided the Board of the Philadelphia Motherhouse consent, so that this paper become the organ of this cause."

In 1891 the General Council resolved "that the General Council earnestly commends the deaconess cause and is grateful to God for the progress it is making, that our pastors be requested to preach on the subject, explaining the nature and the value of the work, with a view of securing probationers for our existing institutions in Philadelphia and Omaha."

Since 1893 the General Council had a standing committee on Deaconess Work.

The General Council at its convention in Minneapolis in 1909, adopted the following resolution:

"Resolved. 1. That the General Council extends to the Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses its hearty congratulations on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the arrival of its first Sisters from Germany, and thereby gives official recognition of the importance of the diaconate for our Church in this country.

2. That our pastors be requested to present the Deaconess cause to their congregations, particularly the Young People's Societies, before the close of this anniversary year, and that the Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses be urged to furnish the necessary historical data to every pastor of the General Council.

The following convention, held in Toledo in 1913, designated "Septuagesima Sunday as especially adapted to call the attention of their congregations to the great importance of the female diaconate."

In 1915, at the convention in Rock Island, the question having been raised by the Committee on Deaconess Work, "whether these two Motherhouses (Philadelphia and Milwaukee) in consecrating their Sisters are setting them apart for the Lord's service in the name and by authority of the Church or not," the following recommendation was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That the General Council hereby interprets the repeated recommendations of the deaconess cause since 1886 and the appointment of a standing committee on Deaconess Work since 1893, as the official recognition of the female diaconate in the organization of the Church."

From the foregoing it is evident, therefore, that when the merger took place in 1918, the General Council brought into the United Lutheran Church the Philadelphia Motherhouse as its own Motherhouse of Deaconesses, making the Philadelphia Motherhouse in the full sense of the term a Motherhouse of the United Lutheran Church, with all the obligations and privileges implied thereby.

This relationship to the United Lutheran Church has also been recognized by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church of which the last President of the General Council, the late Dr. Theodore E. Schmauck, was a member as well as the President of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. H. A. Weller, when the appeal for an appropriation for the Philadelphia Motherhouse was granted and such item included in the first budget of the United Lutheran Church in January, 1919.

That the Philadelphia Motherhouse is an integral part of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and thereby of the United Lutheran Church, is also evident from the fact that the Motherhouse is regularly apportioned as any other congregation, being asked to contribute $920.00 for the present synodical year. It is not necessary to speak in this connection of the manifold services this Motherhouse has rendered to the Church in various fields of labor.

As the Philadelphia Motherhouse is operated under the charter and the last will and testament of its founder, the late John D. Lankenau, who has founded and heavily endowed the Motherhouse, a change of the charter would jeopardize the title to the entire property and endowment, so that the Board shall have to continue as a self-perpetuating Board, a fact fully understood by the General Council and its officers when it acknowledged the Philadelphia Motherhouse as the Motherhouse of its body. The merger could not affect this relationship to the Church nor the mutual rights and obligations.

The Board of the Philadelphia Motherhouse therefore respectfully submits this memorandum to the Board of Deaconess Work of the United Lutheran Church for information, fully conscious of its responsibility to the Church through your honorable Board, and assuring your Board anew of its pur-

pose to co-operate with your Board to the fullest extent in the development of the female diaconate in this country and especially in our United Lutheran Church.

By order of the Board of Trustees of the Mary J. Drexel Home and Philadelphia Motherhouse of Deaconesses,

Most respectfully submitted,
E. F. BACHMANN.

IV. THE MILWAUKEE MOTHERHOUSE.

The Rev. Herman L. Fritschel, Director of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses, furnishes the following information:

The Lutheran Deaconess Motherhouse at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, developed out of the earliest beginnings of deaconess work in America under Dr. W. A. Passavant in 1849. Theodore Fliedner at that time brought four deaconesses to Pittsburgh and established a station of Kaiserwerth in the Pittsburgh Infirmary, now the Passavant Hospital. The hopes that this station would develop into a complete Deaconess Motherhouse in America did not materialize until 1893, when the deaconess work was organized at Milwaukee according to the well established plans of the Motherhouse. The recruits came chiefly from the Synods of Wisconsin, Iowa, Northwest, and some directly from Europe.

The present Sisters came to us from: General Council, 6; General Synod, 2; Wisconsin Synod, 8; Missouri Synod, 3; Joint Synod of Ohio, 3; Iowa Synod, 26; other connections, 3.

The Sisters are stationed as follows: In Pennsylvania—in Passavant Hospital, Pittsburgh, 5; Home for Epileptics, Rochester, 5; Orphans' Home and Farm School, Zelienople, 3; Old People's Home, Zelienople, 3. In Ohio—in Old People's Home, Toledo, 2; Layton Home for Invalids, Milwaukee, 3; Milwaukee Hospital, 20; Milwaukee Motherhouse, 3.

The corporation is known by the name "The Institution of Protestant Deaconesses," and consists of all the consecrated deaconesses and a Board of Managers, consisting of nine persons. Five of the Board must be members of the Pittsburgh Synod and four members of other co-operating Synods. The present Board consists of Rev. H. L. Fritschel, Director; Sister Catherine Dentzer, Directing Sister; Rev. F. W. Kohler, Secretary; Mr. H. E. Passavant; Rev. Charles W. White; Rev. Ellis B. Burgess, D.D.; Rev. J. L. Miller, D.D.

The recently amended charter authorizes the general Board of Managers to appoint subsidiary Boards for the different institutions owned and managed by the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses.

The Milwaukee Motherhouse is thus not affiliated with any particular synod, but is intersynodical in character and work. While members of the Pittsburgh Synod are on the Board, it is not an institution of the United Lutheran Church, but is enumerated among the institutions allied to that body. The present Pastor is a member of the Pittsburgh Synod.

V. REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DEACONESS WORK.

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Receipts.	General Fund	Endowment Fund	New Building Fund
United Church	$22,960.00	....	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	296.70	....	.....
Donations for Specific Purposes	.....	....	$417.34
Tuition	1,455.00	....	.....
Kindergarten	790.53	....	.....
Nursing	522.07	....	.....
Stations	4,189.62	....	.....
Cash Sales to Sisters	174.72	....	.....
Refund of Advance to Students	95.00	....	.....
Rentals	600.00	....	.....
Interest on Bank Balances	.80	$11.16	84.81
Interest on Investments	.....	....	212.50
Discounts Earned	158.01	....	.....
	$31,242.45	$11.16	$714.65

Disbursements.			
Salaries of Superintendent and Assistant.	$2,100.00		
Quarterly allowances to Sisters	3,133.45		
Wages of General and Domestic Help	3,057.50		
Contributions to Mary J. Drexel Home	3,000.00		
Traveling Expenses of Superintendent	269.95		
Traveling Expenses of Sisters	801.07		
Other Expenses of Sisters	1,428.23		
Expenses of other Officers and Board Members	495.51		
Repairs and Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	5,867.80		
Household Expenses	$4,100.00		
Wearing Apparel	2,188.81		
Fuel and Light	3,123.97		
Lectures, Class Instruction, Library Books, etc.	794.97		
Printing and Stationery	1,046.80		
Telephone and Telegraph	82.25		
Postage and Expressage	112.34		
Auditing	25.00		
Office Supplies and Expenses	17.95		
General Expense	403.05		
	$32,048.65		
Excess or Deficit for the year	—$806 20	$11.16	$714.65

	General Fund	Endowment Fund	New Building Fund
SUMMARY.			
Balance, August 1, 1920			$5,440.30
Add: Excess of Receipts:			
Endowment Fund		$ 11.16	
New Building Fund		714.65	
			725.81
			6,166.11
Deduct, Excess of Disbursements, General Fund			806.20
Balance, July 31, 1921			$5,359.91

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

RECEIPTS.			
United Lutheran Church in America	$21,793.60	....	.....
United, General and Brach Synods	178.00	....	.....
Donations	.....	....	$311.25
Tuition	965.05	....	.....
Kindergarten	521.39	....	.....
Nursing	229.12	....	.....
Stations	5,495.71	....	.....
Miscellaneous Refunds	108.50	....	.....
Refund of Advances to Students	206.68	....	.....
Rentals	475.00	....	.....
Bank Interest	.....	$12.30	$119.74
Interest on Investments	.....	....	212.50
Discounts earned	200.80	....	.....
Fire Insurance collected	.....	....	4,631.26
	$30,173.85	$12.30	$5,274.75

DISBURSEMENTS.	
Salaries of Superintendent and Assistant	$2,008.32
Superintendent's Traveling Expenses	396.47
Wages of General and Domestic Help	2,720.00
Expenses of Mother House	3,120.67
Additions and Improvements to Mother House	1,299.55
Expenses of other Officers and Board Members	558.18
Expenses of Grounds	487.10
Household Expenses	3,525.00
Personal Expenses of Sisters	956.35
Sisters' Training Fund	175.00
Professional Services for Sisters	561.65
Sisters' Quarterly Allowance	4,814.92
Sisters' Traveling Allowance	468.00
Wearing Apparel	3,286.12
Lectures and Class Instruction	1,042.30
Class and Library Books	274.77
Printing and Stationery	702.18

	General Fund	Endowment Fund	New Building Fund
Office Supplies and Expenses	$ 2.00		
Telephone and Telegraph	82.12		
Postage and Expressage	107.75		
Fuel and Light	1,449.93		
Auditing	138.59		
Contribution to Mary J. Drexel Home	3,000.00		
Sewing Room Expenses	200.00		
Annuity Bond Interest	27.50		
Grain, Feed and Garden Supplies	704.27		
Donation to Inner Missions Board	10.00		
Expenses of other Buildings owned by Board	1,024.25		
General Expenses	1,092.53		
	$34,235.52		
Excess or Deficit for the Year	$4,061.67	$12.30	$5,274.75

SUMMARY.

Balance, August 1, 1921		$5,359.91
Add, Excess of Receipts:		
Endowment Fund	$ 12.30	
New Building Fund	5,274.75	
		5,287.05
		10,646.96
Deduct, Excess of Disbursements: General Fund		4,061.67
		$6,585.29

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash:		
National Exchange Bank	$ 62.85	
Hopkins Place Savings Bank	4,056.84	
Held by Rev. Charles E. Hay	600.00	
Apportionment in transit from Executive Board	1,865.60	
		$6,585.29
$5,000 U. S. Fourth Liberty 4¼s at par value		5,000.00
Real Estate and Buildings, estimated value		211,000.00
		$222,585.29

FUNDS:

New Building Fund	$13,736.55	
Endowment Fund	320.29	
General Fund	208,528.45	
		$222,585.29

Respectfully submitted,
FREDERICK J. SINGLEY, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Deaconess Work of The United Lutheran Church in America for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing

Balance Sheet
Receipts and Disbursements, etc.

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

VI. POLICY OF THE BOARD.

The Board has recognized clearly the vast and ever increasing opportunities which are constantly opening up to the female diaconate. Appeals for the services have come to us from parishes, institutions and boards in all parts of the Church and so urgent are these appeals and so large the opportunities presented for effective ministrations that it has been a matter of profound regret to us that there were not deaconesses available to meet the demands made upon us. We cannot respond to the calls of the Church unless the Church will respond to the call of the Board and furnish us with the young women to train and send forth upon their ministry of love and mercy. The Board has put forth its best effort to bring this call home to the hearts of the young women of the United Lutheran Church in America. The response to these efforts enables us to report encouraging progress, but has not been sufficient to enable us to meet all the demands made upon us. The Board asks for the continued and enlarged interest of the Pastors of the Church in providing suitable candidates.

While thus recognizing clearly the pre-eminence of the female diaconate as a distinctive form of service, the Board has given careful consideration to the conditions existing in the Church, and particularly to the fact that there are many young women who, while they do not feel themselves called to the diaconate, feel, nevertheless, that they would like to devote their lives, or a part of them, to the work of serving the Church, and to the correlated fact that there are congregations and institutions in the Church that are constantly calling for trained workers other than deaconesses. There is a demand for young women with a proper religious education and an intelligent appreciation of the Lutheran Church to serve as congregational secretaries, teachers in weekday and vacation Bible schools, and other forms of Christian activity. The special one-year course for Christian workers provided by the Baltimore Motherhouse some years ago has proved its worth to the Church, but, in order to meet changing conditions, the Board has felt that some enlargment of this course was necessary. Plans are now well under way for providing, in addition to the special one-year course, supplementary courses which will prepare a young woman for effective service in several distinct spheres of Christian activity. The work of formulating and developing these courses of study will be in the hands of the new Superintendent of Instruction, Dr. Gift, and the Committee on Education. The Philadelphia Motherhouse is prepared to offer a similar course, covering two years, to a limited number of students.

VII. Resolutions Suggested.

1. That we are encouraged by the evidence of substantial progress in the deaconess work upon our territory.

2. That we commend to the young women of the United Lutheran Church the female diaconate as a life calling in harmony with the teaching of Scripture, characterized by the spirit of Jesus Christ, and abounding in opportunities for works of serving love.

3. That we urge upon parents, pastors, superintendents of Sunday schools, teachers of young women's Bible classes and the leaders of young people's societies that they make frequent reference to the helpful ministry of deaconesses in the Church and bring to the attention of suitable young women the large opportunities thus afforded for fruitful Christian service.

4. That we approve the policy of the Board of Deaconess Work in seeking to enlarge the scope of its activities, particularly in providing additional courses of instruction for Christian workers at the Baltimore Motherhouse, and we note with pleasure the establishment of a similar course at the Philadelphia Motherhouse.

5. That we approve the steps taken by the Board looking to the eventual establishment of a motherhouse for colored deaconesses.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. Zimmerman, President.
Chas. E. Hay, Secretary.

The Rev. C. E. Hay, General Secretary of the Board, spoke of the growth and effectiveness of the work and also of the provision for the special training of Christian workers. The Rev. Foster U. Gift, Superintendent of Instruction at the Baltimore Motherhouse, also addressed the Convention on the enlarged scope of the work of this institution.

The suggested resolutions were considered by items. Items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Report of the Board of Ministerial Relief was presented by the Rev. A. Pohlman, President of the Board, who in a few words emphasized the importance of the Board's work.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The report of the Board of Ministerial Relief two years ago was the report of an experiment made possible by the generosity of one man. The report now is of an established work, approved and supported by the Church.

The two years have been years in which the Board has been "finding

itself." They have also been years in which it has been making itself and its work known to the Church and calling on it for co-operation along new lines. The results have been most encouraging. The progress has been that of growth and development along lines laid down and approved by the Washington Convention. It began as a Board of Relief. At Washington it was made in effect a Board of Pensions and Relief, and the two phases of its work need to be presented separately.

I. Pensions.

In making our report we wish to call special attention to the distinguishing features of the pension of the United Lutheran Church:

It is non-contributory and on the basis of service alone, and in its present minimum form is paid from the Church Budget. It is given to every minister and to all regularly commissioned Foreign Missionaries and to all widows of ministers irrespective of need. In other words, it is in recognition of services rendered. It is irrespective of the size of the salary received. All receive the pension, all are on an equal basis, service alone counts.

The number on our pension roll has grown from 576 at the time of our last report to 648 today, involving an outlay of $133,400 annually, as over against $121,550 two years ago. This means an increase of 12.15 per cent. in the number on the roll and of 9.83 per cent. in the amount expended. The discrepancy between the two percentages is due to the fact that over 54 per cent. of the increase was in the number of widows, over 28.5 per cent. in the number of children and only a trifle over 17 per cent. in the number of ministers. These figures go far toward making plain why we can never expect the removals from the roll to counterbalance the accessions. The death of an aged minister more frequently than not leaves a widow to be provided for, while the death of a man in active service usually means a widow and children to be added to the roll. The natural increase in the number of ministers is another element in the growth of the roll. The average rate of increase in the experience of other Boards is 10 per cent. each biennium. This increase, on the basis of the present minimum pension, should be provided from the budget of the Church.

Since our last report there have been thirty-three retired ministers, two disabled ministers and twenty-nine widows removed from our roll by death; two ministers have resumed work and three disabled ministers have recovered and three were found to be ineligible. One widow voluntarily gave up her pension and one married, and forty-three children reached the age of sixteen and so ceased to receive pensions.

Certain questions having arisen in the conduct of the work, definite rules were adopted with regard to eligibility:

1. A minister leaving the active service before the age of sixty-five, "for the purpose of entering a gainful secular occupation" forfeits his right to a pension.

2. A minister "receiving an annuity from a congregation, institution or

Church Board, the pension shall be reduced so that the total combined pension received shall not exceed an aggregate amount of $1,000.

3. Widows of retired ministers shall not be eligible to a pension unless they were married at least five years before the husband's retirement.

4. Unmarried daughters of ministers of the U. L. C. who have had the care of a father, if he be a widower, ten years, and who are themselves at least forty years of age, shall by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee be entitled to relief in the same amount and under the same conditions as widows.

Recognizing the inadequacy of the present pensions and looking forward to the time when the size of the pensions shall be increased, the present pension is called the "minimum pension" and the widows' pension is stated as "two-thirds the amount to which her husband would be entitled." The present pension is on the basis of $15 for each year of required service, and the hope of the Board is that when sufficient endowment is secured the pension will be increased on the basis of years of service, allowing $15 additional for each year over twenty.

The question of including unordained teachers and professors in Church schools and colleges in the pension provision, which was referred to the Board by the Washington Convention, was decided in the negative as being impossible in view of the limitations of the charter.

II. Relief.

The relief work of the Board has made marked progress during the past biennium. Lack of funds during the first year of the operation of the pension system made relief apart from pensions almost a negligible proposition. The amount received from the budget barely meets the pension needs and that only by the end of the year, so that funds for relief must be secured from special gifts. An appeal made through advertisements in the Lutheran and through letters brought in something less than $2,500 in 1920. This was the beginning of the Relief Fund and the beginning of definite relief to those who were in need. In the fall of 1921 letters were sent to the pastors in the United Lutheran Church requesting lists of names to whom an appeal might be addressed asking for a Christmas gift for ministerial relief. About 10 per cent responded with 3,500 names. Of these, 10 per cent. responded with gifts aggregating something over $8,000. At the same time a questionnaire was sent to those on the roll to be filled out by those who were in need and desired help. It was found that about 150 had a maximum income in addition to their pension not exceeding the size of the pension received. A distribution from $3,000 to $3,500 was made to these at Christmas and again at Easter, graded in accord with their resources. Another distribution was made on August 5. This must be repeated from time to time if these servants of the Church are not to suffer, and to make it possible constant gifts are required from churches, societies and individuals. Over $14,000 have been received for

this purpose and for the general work since the beginning of the fiscal year. When intended for the relief work, gifts should be so indicated.

The aim of the Board for its pensioners through relief additional to the pension is expressed in the adoption of the recommendation of the Finance Committee that our relief work be continued with distributions from time to time as funds may be available until pension and relief jointly will reach a sum sufficient for adequate support of those who are in greatest need.

Grants to meet special need may be made to those on the roll and others by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Committee.

The relief work as outlined two years ago has also been extended by making the children of disabled pastors eligible to grants where conditions make it necessary on the same basis as the children of widows.

III. Finances.

The amount received from the budget, together with the income from invested funds and special gifts, has met the requirements of the pension roll by the end of the year. The anticipated increase of 15 per cent. in the pension roll in the next three years makes an increased apportionment essential if the minimum pension is to be provided by the Church and the Board left free to seek special gifts for relief and endowment. The pension is the Church's obligation and should not be dependent upon individual or special gifts, but should be on the assured basis of Church support. This the Board feels should be the policy adopted and announced. When increased pension is given it should be from endowment. The Board during a large part of both years of the past biennium has had to borrow in order to meet its obligations, due to the fact that so many Treasurers hold their budget contributions until the time of the meeting of the Synods. The "overhead" for the past year has been less than 4 per cent.

The growing interest of the Church in the work of the Board has been manifest in the special gifts which have been received for relief and for the general funds. In the first year of the biennium they totaled something over $5,000. In the year just closing over $15,000 have been received, together with $19,000 in annuity bonds, the principal of which will eventually go into the endowment. Of these a number have been taken at 6 per cent. or less, instead of the higher rates of interest to which the purchaser would have been entitled on the basis of age, so that as we have been able to invest the money in securities approved by the State of Pennsylvania for trust funds (guaranteed first mortgages) paying 6 per cent., the entire $19,000 is costing about $150 annually to carry. One of the bonds has already matured by the death of the owner and has been incorporated in our endowment.

The Board has been stressing annuity bonds as a means of giving to its work and offers interest at rates in accordance with the age of the giver. If 10 is added to the age and the result divided by a decimal point

the rate for any given age is established. Where two names appear on the bond the rate is according to the age of the younger. In many cases, however, the giver is satisfied with a smaller rate of interest.

The endowment has been increased during the biennium by the transfer of the funds of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the Synods of Virginia, South West Virginia, New York and New England, Tennessee, the Synod of the Northwest, and the balance in the treasury of the Pittsburgh Synod (which had already paid $2,500).

Three of the widows on the roll have ordered their monthly checks transferred to the endowment fund ever since the pension was put into operation, as a memorial to their husbands, while another has returned the larger part of her check each month for the same purpose. The total endowment at present is $135,800, including the $72,498 to be transferred by the Pastors' Fund of the General Synod as soon as authority is given by that body, but excluding the $16,000 of the Canada Synod, of which we receive the interest. The one fund not yet transferred or the income of which is not available to the Board is that of the District Synod of Ohio. The transfer of this fund was ordered by the Synod in June, 1920, and again last October, but has not yet come into the Board's hands. Final arrangements for the transfer are at present under way.

The securing of an endowment is the great essential to making the necessary increase in the size of the pensions. The Washington Convention authorized the raising of an endowment of not less than $2,000,000 at such time and in such manner as the Executive Board should approve. The further knowledge of what is involved seems to make the minimum amount needed $3,000,000. That with the natural accretions from gifts, bequests and annuity bonds should make possible pensions at the rate of $15 for each year of service, with two-thirds the amount due the husband to each widow, provided the present minimum pension is taken care of from the budget. This would be an average of about $5 for each communing member, and with the large amounts which will undoubtedly be given should not be difficult to raise when the times are prosperous. The Missouri Synod in 1919-1920, with 140,000 less confirmed members than we, raised almost that amount in cash and bonds for this purpose. The Augustana Synod with only 200,000 members has raised a fund of about $1,000,000. The Methodists have raised $16,000,000, the Episcopalians $14,000,000, the Presbyterians $7,000,000 and other denominations enough to make a total of $64,000,000, with another $60,000,000 planned for ministerial relief and pensions. Ministerial pensions and relief in the Protestant Churches are costing the Churches $6,000,000 annually and are distributed to over 20,000 individuals—and the work is only begun. The United Lutheran Church will not be behind in the procession or fail of its duty.

The securing of such a sum, however, cannot be accomplished without concerted action, and while campaigns are not to be a part of the regular activities of our Church under the budget system, the Board of Ministerial

Relief believes that it should be made an exception for the following reasons:

1. The Board of Ministerial Relief is a new Board whose work involves in a peculiar way the honor of the Church.

2. It is the only Board whose future cannot be provided for through the budget of the Church.

3. It cannot hope to increase the present inadequate pension except through a generous endowment.

4. The minimum endowment necessary, $3,000,000, could never be raised except by organized effort, backed by the full authority and all the influence of the Church.

5. A "campaign" for this purpose is the general expectation throughout the Church, a number of Synods already having approved it, and one Synod at least having called for it by definite resolution.

6. A frankly acknowledged "campaign," officially recognized and approved, with the reasons given, holds less of embarrassing precedent than the permitted organizing of the work without such approval.

IV. General.

The Board feels that the success of its work lies with the laity. It is they who must be interested and it is they who must provide the funds. It is greatly encouraged by the interest everywhere manifested when the work is presented and with the practical way in which that interest is being shown. It looks to the great organizations of the Church, the Women's Missionary Society, the Brotherhood and the Luther League to help in spreading the knowledge of what it is doing and in practical co-operation. The women are represented by two advisory members on the Board and their Executive Committee has recommended that it be included in their budget for the coming biennium. The Brotherhood has made provision for it on their program, and the Luther League will include it in the topics for 1923. These things are full of promise for the work of the coming years.

The reluctance of the clergy to present the work is one of the obstacles to be overcome. Many seem to feel that in presenting it they are pleading for themselves and their own future. In these days when pensions have become a part of business life and provision is being made for those who have faithfully served by all great corporations, as well as by the Government, and that without reference to need, it should be plain that this is a plain business proposition for the benefit of the Church itself, and being one of the regularly appointed Church activities, must be presented along with the other phases of work. The co-operation of the clergy is essential, and the Board confidently looks to them as well as to the laity to make its work a success. The pension is but the translating into the terms of the twentieth century the principle laid down in the wilderness for

the care of the Levites, and made a part of the Gospel plan when Paul wrote the Corinthians: "For so is the will of the Lord, that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel," not only during the years of active service, but when age or disability has come.

The Board submits for your approval the following resolutions:

Resolved that:

1. The plans as outlined be approved and that the minimum pension be provided for from the budget.

2. The Board of Ministerial Relief be commended to Synods, congregations and individuals for their heartiest co-operation and support in every way possible.

3. The work of the Board be presented before every congregation at least once every year by the pastor or by a competent layman.

4. The fact that the pension is a sacred obligation be emphasized.

5. A campaign for the raising of an endowment of not less than $3,000,000 be authorized, at such time as the financial condition of the country, in the judgment of the Board and of the Executive Board, shall make it practical; that this campaign shall have right of way, and that it shall have the official support and encouragement of the whole governing power of the Church.

A. Pohlman, *President.*
Edgar Grim Miller, *Executive Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

August 1, 1920, to July 31, 1922.

The Treasurer presents as his financial statement the complete yearly audits as made by the firm appointed by the Executive Board for that purpose. It is very full in detail as to sources of receipts and disbursements, as well as to endowment investments, and needs no further enlargement or elucidation.

Information obtained during the past biennium shows that there are quite a number of our beneficiaries whose incomes from all other sources and pension combined are insufficient for adequate support. The Relief Fund is the only fund from which the pressing needs of the aged, retired ministers and their widows can be met or alleviated, and the Treasurer feels impelled to call attention to the small sum available for relief disbursement during the past biennium, with the hope that this reference to it may assist in greatly increasing the contributions to that fund in the present biennium.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Brandt, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF MINISTERIAL RELIEF FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDED JULY 31, 1922

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	Board of Ministerial Relief Endowment Fund	Board of Ministerial Relief General Fund	Pastor's Fund Society Endowment Fund	Pastor's Fund Society General Fund
United Lutheran Church	.....	$108,880.00	.....	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	$5,327.47	1,838.85	.....	$18.55
Donations	973.46	21,263.88	$1,880.00	.....
Ministerium of Pennsylvania Pension Fund	.....	600.00	.....	.....
Rentals of Property	.....	.....	.....	540.00
Interest:				
On Bank Balances	1.00	69.41	.....	.....
On Bills Receivable	456.74	.....	.....	.....
On Mortgages	726.00	.....	80.00	245.10
On Investments	626.36	.....	3,033.33	50.00
Proceeds from Sale of Securities	500.00	.....	2,000.00	.....
	$8,611.03	$132,652.14	$6,993.33	$853.65

DISBURSEMENTS.

Pensions:				
Retired Ministers	.....	$50,325.00	.....	.....
Disabled Ministers	.....	5,904.00	.....	.....
Widows and Mothers of Ministers	.....	68,396.91	.....	.....
Children of Ministers	.....	5,254.02	.....	.....
Christmas Gifts and Special Relief	.....	877.50	.....	.....
Annuities	.....	1,485.00	$25.00	.....
Salary of Executive Secretary	.....	3,000.00	.....	.....
Salary of Office Secretary	.....	1,030.00	.....	.....
Traveling Expenses of Executive Secretary	.....	719.05	.....	.....
Expenses of Treasurer and other Board Members	.....	683.39	.....	.....
Expense of Property	.....	358.09	.....	.....
Printing and Stationery	.....	511.51	.....	.....
Office Supplies and Expenses	.....	345.16	.....	.....
Rental of Office	.....	568.75	.....	.....
Auditing	.....	250.00	.....	.....
Advertising	.....	150.00	.....	.....
Interest on Bills Payable	.....	249.17	.....	.....
General Expenses	$1.87	55.15	4.07	.....
Purchase of Office Furntiure	.....	245.57	.....	.....
Purchase of Securities	4,086.60	.....	8,571.30	.....
	$4,088.47	$140,408.27	$8,600.37	.....

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH.

	Board of Ministerial Relief Endowment Fund	Board of Ministerial Relief General Fund	Pastor's Fund Society Endowment Fund	Pastor's Fund Society General Fund
Balances, August 1, 1920....	$ 4,223.60	$ 14,683.33	$ 5,341.37	$.....
Receipts, as above.....	8,611.03	132,652.14	6,993.33	853.65
	$12,834.63	$147,335.47	$12,334.70	$853.65
Disbursements, as above	4,088.47	140,408.27	8,600.37	.....
	$8,746.16	$6,927.20	$3,734.33	$853.65
Transfers between Funds, as of July 31, 1921.....	*3,265.77*	7,334.38	*3,214.96*	*853.65*
Balances, July 31, 1921.....	$5,480.39	$14,261.58	$519.37	.....
		$20,261.34		

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

RECEIPTS.

	Board of Ministerial Relief Endowment Fund	Board of Ministerial Relief General Fund	Pastor's Fund Society Endowment Fund	Pastor's Fund Society General Fund
United Lutheran Church.....	.....	$124,182.40	.....	.....
United, General and Branch Synods	$75.00	3,768.77	.....	.....
Donations	944.78	11,958.15	$4,975.00	.....
Rentals of Property.....	.....	.....	.....	$315.00
Interest:				
On Bank Balances	123.58	98.38	17.35	.....
On Bills Receivable	480.00	.....	.....	.....
On Mortgages	873.48	.....	.....	258.00
On Investments	833.96	.....	3,301.26	50.00
Proceeds from Sale of Securities	9,750.00	.....	12,245.83	4,603.50
Donations under Annuity Plan	11,804.00	.....	.....	.....
Other Receipts	30.00	.....	344.00	40.99
Loans	.....	37,500.00	.....	.....
	$24,914.80	$177,507.70	$20,883.44	$5,267.49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Pensions:				
Retired Ministers	.....	$50,458.34	.....	.....
Disabled Ministers	.....	5,475.00	.....	.....
Widows and Mothers of Ministers	.....	60,192.58	.....	.....
Children of Ministers	.....	15,710.71	.....	.....
Christmas Gifts and Special Relief	.....	7,187.55	.....	.....
Annuities	.....	1,803.00	.....	.....

	Board of Ministerial Relief Endowment Fund	Board of Ministerial Relief General Fund	Pastor's Fund Society Endowment Fund	Pastor's Fund Society General Fund
Salary of Executive Secretary	.....	$3,000.00	.....	.....
Salary of Office Secretary	.....	930.00	.....	.....
Traveling Expenses of Executive Secretary	.....	672.64	.....	.....
Expenses of Treasurer and other Board Members	.....	737.95	.....	.....
Expenses of Property	.....	228.62	.....	.....
Printing and Stationery	.....	542.34	.....	.....
Office Supplies and Expenses.	.....	335.02	.....	.....
Rental of Office	.....	481.25	.....	.....
Auditing	.....	200.00	.....	.....
Advertising	.....	814.07	.....	.....
Interest on Bills Payable	.....	128.05	.....	.....
General Expenses	.....	122.21	.....	.....
Purchase of Office Furniture.	.....	147.17	.....	.....
Purchase of Securities	$25,100.00	.....	$18,000 00	.....
Repayment of Loans	.....	37,500.00	.....	.....
	$25,100.00	$186,666.50	$18,000.00	.....

Reconcilement of Cash.

Balances, August 1, 1920	$ 5,480 39	$ 14,261.58	$ 519 37	.....
Receipts, as above	24,914.80	177,507.70	20,883.44	$5,267.49
	$30,395.19	$191,769.28	$21,402.81	$5,267.49
Disbursements, as above	25,100.00	186,666.50	18,000.00	.....
	$5,295.19	$5,102.78	$3,402.81	$5,267.49
Transfers between Funds, as of July 31, 1922	*—3,557.56*	6,817.92	2,007.13	*—5,267.49*
Balances, July 31, 1922	$1,737.63	$11,920.70	$5,409.94	.....
		$19,068.27		

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922.

Assets.

Cash in banks and on hand		$19,068.27
Investments:		
At Ledger Values:		
U. S. Liberty Loan Bonds	$18,625.42	
Other Bonds	86,570.00	
Stocks	300.00	
Notes Receivable	8,500.00	
Mortgages	22,300.00	
Real Estate	2.00	
		136,297.42
Office Furniture and Fixtures		392.74
		$155,758.43

FUNDS.

Board of Ministerial Relief:		
Endowment	$62,791.75	
General	12,313.44	
		$75,105.19
Pastors' Fund Society:		
Endowment	74,928.24	
General	5,725.00	
		80,653.24
		$155,758.43

INVESTMENTS, 31st July, 1922.

		Ledger Values
U. S. Government Obligations:		
$20,500 U. S. Fourth Liberty Loan 4¼s		$18,625.42
Other Bonds:		
1,000 Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Reformation 5s, 1925	$1,000.00	
1,000 Newberry College 6s, 1929	1,000.00	
15,000 Gomery Schwartz Bldg. 6 pct. Mtge. 1928	15,000.00	
1,000 Penna. R. R. Company, Consolidated 4s, 1948	1,000.00	
10,000 Southwest Corner 16th and Walnut Sts., Phila., 6 pct. Mtge. Bonds, 1927	10,000.00	
4,000 Georgia Light, Power & R. R. Co. 5s, 1941	3,720.00	
9,000 Philadelphia Co. 5s, 1951	9,000.00	
2,000 Tennessee Power Co. 5s, 1962	1,600.00	
5,000 Central District Telephone Co. 5, 1943	4,875.00	
1,000 United Ry. & Electric Co. of Baltimore 5s, 1936	1,000.00	
1,000 Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. 5s, 1937	1,000.00	
1,000 Charleston Cons. Ry. Gas & Elec. Co. 5s, 1999	1,000.00	
7,000 Commonwealth Power, Railway & Light Co. 7s, 1923	7,000.00	
5,000 Virginia Power Co. 5s, 1942	4,500.00	
1,000 Des Moines City Ry. Co. 5s, 1936	950.00	
1,000 Southern Ry. Co., St. Louis Div. 4s, 1951	1,000.00	
6,000 Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville 5s, 1966	6,000.00	
1,000 Howard Gas & Coal Co. 6s, 1937	1,000.00	
5,000 Gomery Schwartz Bldg. 6 pct. Mtge., 1948	5,000.00	
10,000 Walnut St. Trust Bldg., 6 pct. Mtge., 1932.	10,000.00	
1,000 Georgia Light, Power & Ry. Co. 5s 1941	925.00	
		86,570.00
Stocks:		
10 Shares Emerson-Brantingham Co., Common, Par $100	$300.00	
8 Shares Georgia Light, Power & Ry. Co., Common, Par $100	.....	
15 Shares Virginia Power Co., Common, Par $100	.....	
5 Shares Georgia Light, Power & Ry. Co., Common, Par $100	.....	
		300.00
Forward		$105,495.42

Forward		$105,495.42
Mortgages:		
Farm, County Perry, Montana, 6 pct	$900.00	
Farm, County Washington, Colorado, 6 pct	1,200.00	
Farm, County Itasca, Minnesota, 6 pct	600.00	
Farm, Province Saskatchewan, Canada, 6 pct	1,500,00	
Farm, Province Saskatchewan, Canada, 6 pct	3,000.00	
5830 Holden Street, Pittsburgh	2,500.00	
6425 Aurelia Street, Pittsburgh	2,500.00	
Participating Trust Certificate, Property in Park County, Montana, 6 pct	800.00	
1311 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., 6 pct	2,000.00	
1948 N. Eleventh Street, Philaelphia, 6 pct	3,000.00	
Mehl and Wakefield Streets, Philadelphia, 6 pct	4,300.00	
		22,300.00
Notes Receivable:		
Demand, Hon. C. A. Smith, June 6, 1912, 6 pct	$5,500.00	
Demand, Trustees Roanoke College, April 1, 1921, 6 pct.	2,500.00	
Demand, For Loan, March 19, 1915	500.00	
Due June 1, 1910, Judgment Note, April 13, 1910	.....	
		8,500.00
Real Estate:		
Land, 40 acres, southeast quarter of N. W. Corner, Section 30, Township 15, North Range 2 West, Midland County, Michigan	$1.00	
Lots 58, 59 and 60, Block 12, Grant Terrace, Staten Island, N. Y.	1.00	
		2.00
Total Investments		$136,297.42

Philadelphia, 12th September, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Ministerial Relief for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing

Receipts and Disbursements for the Two Years ended 31st July, 1921 and 1922,

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922,

Investments, 31st July, 1922,

are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

J. H. BRANDT,
Treasurer.

The Rev. Edgar Grim Miller, Executive Secretary of the Board, called attention to definite rules adopted by the Board in regard to eligibility to pension. The resolutions submitted by the Board were considered by items.

Item 1. By general consent the President of the Board was permitted to strike the word "perpetually" after the words "pro-

vided for" from the first item and the item was adopted. Items 2 and 3 adopted. Item 4. On motion the word "divine" was stricken and the word "sacred" substituted for it. The item was adopted as amended.

Item 5. The question having been raised whether the adoption of item 5 means the endorsing of a campaign, President Knubel stated that the Washington Convention had approved of a campaign leaving the time and circumstances to the Executive Board. With the understanding that the action of the Washington Convention in regard to this matter shall stand, Item 5 was adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Committee on Moral and Social Welfare reported through its Chairman, the Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MORAL AND SOCIAL WELFARE

Your committee would respectfully report that it has held two meetings during the biennium, in addition to which meetings there have been numerous conferences and much correspondence.

At the first meeting, held in the executive offices of the United Lutheran Church, 437 Fifth Avenue, New York, on February 15, 1921, the committee organized by electing the convener, the Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, D.D., Ph.D., as chairman and the Rev. F. K. Fretz, D.D., Ph.D., Secretary.

The Washington convention very definitely assigned to the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare a specific task, namely

The careful and thorough study of current moral, social and industrial problems and issues, e. g., temperance, at home and in mission fields; family welfare—marriage, divorce, etc.; Lord's Day observance; social purity, industrial problems; immigration problems; the problem of amusement; Christian citizenship.

The preparation and publication of literature for pastors and others on these and similar subjects. (See p. 479, 1920 Minutes).

In accordance with these instructions your committee immediately upon its organization proceeded to consider the preparation of suitable literature on the above named moral and social problems, the committee being divided into sub-committees for said purpose. It was decided that the literature to be prepared take various forms but more especially that of the study book for groups and individuals so strongly recommended by the President of the United Lutheran Church to the various Boards and Committees. The first of these little study books is ready. It is on the "Sunday Problem" or the problem of the Lord's Day observance. In addition to the study book the committee has had prepared for it by Dr. Keyser an article on this subject which appeared in "The Lutheran Church Review."

There also appeared an article on "The Lutheran Doctrine of the Lord's Day" by the Rev. Charles W. Cassell in "The Lutheran Quarterly" for January 1922. This article was prepared as a thesis under the direction of Dr. Keyser. We urge our constituency to read these articles and to introduce the study book wherever feasible.

The committee acknowledges with gratitude the splendid services in its domain rendered by "The Lutheran." "The American Lutheran Survey" also merits our gratitude because of many pertinent articles and series of articles, notably among them "The Divorce Problem" (series beginning in July 1922).

The committee believes that the Christian Church may assist very materially in the solution of the many moral and social welfare problems confronting modern society through a close adherence to the Gospel and Epistle on the part of the preachers of today. The first and greatest need of the hour as the committee sees it is positive preaching on the consequences of sin and the blessings of the redemption wrought upon the cross by Christ. This preaching must relate itself to the lives of our citizens of today. The references to sin in the epistolary literature must not be limited to Galatia and Rome but must be applied to conditions in New York, Chicago, San Francisco, and intermediate points.

The attention of the committee has been called to the desire of many of our Lutheran college graduates to devote themselves to "Social Service" work. We would therefore point out to these graduates themselves, to Lutheran Pastors and to all who come into contact with this question that the sphere of Inner Missions is sufficiently comprehensive to enlist the active co-operation of every Lutheran young man or woman interested in "social service." As it is necessary that each case be considered separately the committee is willing to act in an advisory capacity whenever asked to do so.

The committee sent a communication to Mr. Will Hays, President of the Motion Pictures Producers and Distributors of America (522 Fifth Avenue, New York) commending him upon the withdrawal of certain films, which ought not to have been continued but the continuance of which was strongly advocated by certain commercial interests. The committee took advantage of the opportunity afforded to plead for clean and helpful, rather than suggestive and destructive motion pictures. Mr. Hays' acknowledgment was graceful and conciliatory.

The attention of the committee was called to the publication of Christmas cards of an irreverent and sometimes profane character. As this matter was brought to the attention of the Federal Council of Churches by the Rev. W. J. Miller, Jr., Pastor of Tabernacle Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, and as the plea of the Federal Council of Churches, the National Lutheran Council and the National Catholic Welfare Council had already been conveyed to Mr. Howard H. Betelle of the Keating Publishing Company, Philadelphia, President of the Greeting Card Association, your com-

mittee took no further action in the matter. It would, however, request pastors of the U. L. C. to stress the right kind of cards in their weekly calendars.

The attention of the committee has been called to the marketing of suggestive and indecent novelties. It is to be regretted that many of those who deal in novelties of this sort and many of those who purchase them are members of the Christian Church. The Chairman of the committee obtained an interview with a manufacturer dealing in this kind of novelties. The manufacturer indicated a willingness to discontinue the line, not so much because he saw anything morally wrong in what he was doing but because "The trade is not interested in them as much as it used to be and the line is no longer profitable." Surely there is a sign of an awakening conscience on the part of the buying public.

In various ways, other than a resort to the law, your committee has sought to commend or disapprove, as it believed the one or the other course to be of value, the furtherance or discontinuance of things pertaining to the public welfare or woe.

Prohibition Enforcement.

Concerning the problem which has been created by those who in an unlawful way are seeking to invalidate the law of the United States in the matter of prohibition enforcement, we would call attention to the constant necessity of enforcement laws on the part of Congress to render all constitutional provisions effective. It is the duty of loyal citizens everywhere within the United States to abide by constitutional provisions and the laws passed by Congress relating to their enforcement.

Arbitration of Industrial Disputes.

Concerning the industrial unrest into which the United States, together with the other nations of the world, has been plunged, your committee expresses the opinion that it would have been miraculous and entirely contrary to the teachings of Holy Scripture or the experiences of the past, if there were no such unrest during these post world war days.

There are certain distinct signs of the times of better things ahead. It appears more or less evident that strikes and shutouts which invariably affect the general public more than either employers or employees, are at least in part to yield their sway to arbitration.

We note with grateful hearts the growing consciousness on the part of the public that questions affecting the common weal ought to be settled by arbitration and we urgently recommend the extension of this principle, adding that such arbitration be made a matter of public record whenever possible.

Marriage and the Family.

Family life is being dishonored by a large part of our population; fidelity in wedded life is far too lightly regarded; filial respect and obedience are slighted and lax social practices prevail.

We believe that the religious-social institution of marriage should be kept as sacred and serious as possible in the estimation of the community. The wedding ceremony itself, adding as it does dignity and symbolism, is of great significance.

We believe that there should be an interval between the issuance of a license and the ceremony itself, during which period there should be a publication by the State of intentions.

We feel that the Church should do all in its power to help the State fight against all public sources of sensual appeal, including indecent forms of amusement and literature, through which the greed of money panders to sensuality. Education in matters of sex should be imparted not only by competent teachers but primarily in the family.

It is our conviction that the functions of the home are being endangered by changing economic conditions which threaten the stability of our monogamous ideals and cause women in increasing numbers to seek careers outside the home; we therefore, seriously urge our pastors and people to study these newer relationships between industry and the home.

Christian Citizenship

It is our conviction that Christian citizenship is a very real and tangible thing; we would therefore urge our people to exercise in their own communities the duties and prerogatives of their citizenship in an earnest and sustained effort to promote righteousness and social justice. We especially direct attention to the vices of prostitution, gambling, improper moving pictures, common dance halls, a wide open commercialized Sunday and similar flagrant evils and urge that, as Christian citizens, we exert our influence individually and through proper agencies in their suppression.

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The President of the United Lutheran Church has referred to our Committee numerous communications from various sources concerning the appalling situation in the Near East. We would, therefore, offer the following resolutions:

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Mr. William H. Hager moved an addition to the section on Christian Citizenship as follows:

"Furthering Christian Citizenship, we would urge our people to work with all Christian men and women in their communities in organized effort to combat and eliminate the evils of vice in every form, gambling, vile moving pictures, evil dance halls and a wide open commercialized Sunday."

Pending the discussion of this motion the Convention adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. F. Hartman.

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Afternoon Session

Tuesday, October 24, 2:00.

The Rev. J. H. Harms conducted devotions.

Acting President Burgess called the Convention to order.

Resumed consideration of the Report of the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare, item concerning Christian Citizenship.

It was moved and carried, That the entire matter including the report of the Committee and Mr. Hager's motion be recommitted.

The following paper on International Peace and Goodwill put into form by the Rev. J. A. Clutz at the request of the Executive Board was read and adopted.

On International Peace and Good Will

We live in a time of which we might well say as Saint Paul said of the time in which he lived, "The days are evil." From every direction there come the sounds of confusion and strife. On every side there are the evidences of suspicion, and ill will, and even bitter hate. Class is arrayed against class, nation rises up against nation, and a large part of the world is disturbed by wars and rumors of war. The high ideals of a warless world, of international peace, of the autonomy of small nations, of the protection of the rights of minorities, of the guaranty of religious freedom for all men, that were born amid the flames and tumult of the World War seem to have been repudiated or forgotten by many if not all of the leaders of the nations engaged in the war, and also apparently by the great masses of the people.

But the Church of Christ must never repudiate or lose sight of these ideals which are really inspired by the teaching of God's word and especially of Jesus and His Apostles. As loyal followers of the Christ, we must always hold them before our eyes and before the eyes of the world, and in every legitimate way labor diligently to bring about their realization. The world of today is indeed like the boat in which Jesus and His disciples were crossing the lake, tossed on a tempestuous sea and threatened with imminent destruction, but now as then, the Lord of the storm is in the boat and we may comfort and strengthen our hearts with the assurance that in His own good time, He will arise in answer to the cries of His disciples, and will bid the winds to cease and the waves to be still, and the boat will reach the land to which he is guiding it.

But we can, and should do more than pray. It is not for the Church to lay down definite programs of action, or to formulate laws, and seek to impose these upon the civil authorities. This must be left to the civil powers themselves and to those in the State who are charged with the duties and responsibilities of government. But it is the right and duty of the Church to instruct its own members, and to bear testimony before all men, and especially before all rulers and legislators, concerning those principles of righteousness, and justice, and good will, and loving service, which ought to control nations as well as individuals in their relations and dealings with each other. It is also the right and duty of the Church, as a witness for Christ and the servant of the truth, to remind men that nations as well as individuals are amenable to the eternal laws of righteousness, and responsible to God the moral Governor of the earth, who will assuredly punish them if they do not fear Him and keep His commandments, and deal justly with each other and with all men.

Therefore, we, the representatives of the congregations and synods of the United Lutheran Church in America, in Convention assembled, declare our solemn conviction,

(1) That nations, no less than individuals, are bound by the moral law, and are responsible to God the Judge of all the earth, and that He will most surely punish and ultimately destroy them if they do not deal justly, and love mercy, and walk humbly before Him.

2. That the only true and certain way of peace and prosperity for nations as well as for individuals, is the way of repentance, and confession, and amendment of their ways, when they have sinned against God or towards each other.

(3) That the Christian law of love and justice demands that the autonomy and rights of the weaker nations should be recognized by the strong nations, that the rights of minorities, whether racial, political or religious should be respected and protected, and that freedom of religious faith and worship should be everywhere guaranteed.

(4) That the great Christian nations of the earth should use all the

moral and political influence and economic pressure which they can command to stop the oppression, and persecution, and cruel treatment of Christians in the Orient, especially the Armenians.

(5) That the maintenance of great standing armies, and great navies, whether of the sea or of the air, not only imposes heavy and oppressive burdens on the people, and involves an appalling waste of the economic resources and the man power of the nations, but also constitutes a constant menace to the peace of the world.

(6) That the steps toward disarmament taken at the Conference in Washington, in which we greatly rejoice, should be followed up speedily by further efforts to induce all the nations to reduce their armaments by mutual agreements to a purely peace basis such as would be required only for the preservation of good order and the security of life and property within their own borders.

(7) That our own nation, because of its strength and its great wealth and abounding prosperity, and because of its commanding place and influence among the nations of the earth, has special moral and international duties and responsibilities, and should take the lead, or most fully support and co-operate in all movements looking to the observance of international law, the securing of international justice and good will, the preservation of international peace, and the settlement of all disputes between nations by referring them to international courts of justice or boards of arbitration instead of by an appeal to arms.

(8) That all Christians everywhere should use all their personal influence and rights as citizens to secure the election or appointment to offices of a national character, of just and righteous men who will administer the affairs of government in such manner as will best serve the interests not only of their own people, but also of all people of whatever nation or race, and should pray unceasingly for the universal prevalence of peace and good will, that so the Church of Jesus Christ may fulfill its God-given task, the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done.

The Rev. Paul W. Koller, for the Committee of Reference and Counsel, submitted the following resolutions which were adopted:

1. Resolved, (a) That the Executive Board be instructed to make a study of the Constitution and By-Laws of the United Lutheran Church during the coming biennium to discover whether any amendments of said Constitution would be desirable.

(b) That all Synods, Conferences, pastors and laymen connected with the United Lutheran Church be asked to send to the Executive Board any suggestions they may care to make along this line.

(c) That the Executive Board be instructed to report their findings to the next Convention.

2. Resolved, That for the official Minutes the Secretary be authorized to make any change in form but not in substance in the reports of Treasurers now appearing in the Bulletin that may be agreed upon by the Treasurers of the Boards and the Finance Committee of the Executive Board.

3. Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the President of the United Lutheran Church be the Chairman of the delegation to the International Lutheran Convention at Eisenach. Signed, A. POHLMAN.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel submitted also the following:

EASTERN EUROPE—WESTERN ASIA.

In view of the fact that within the coming biennium it will no doubt be possible to undertake a mission in Eastern Europe and Western Asia,

Resolved (1) That as soon as the opportunity arises, the Board of Foreign Missions is instructed and authorized to take the necessary steps.

(2) That the approach to this enterprise, if practicable, be made in collaboration with the Leipsic Lutheran Missionary Society, which already has resolved to undertake work in this territory and which welcomes our collaboration.

(3) That to enable the carrying out of this enterprise, the sum of $20,000 be added to the apportionment, beginning as soon as enterprise is initiated, the additional amount to be used only for this purpose.

On motion this matter was referred to the Executive Board.

On motion the hearing of official visitors was made the special order of the hour.

The Rev. G. A. Brandelle, D.D., President of the Augustana Synod, the Rev. Oscar A. Strom of the Norwegian Lutheran Church and the Rev. Victor Koivumaki of the Suomi Synod addressed the Convention and President Knubel made fitting response to each of them in turn.

The President stated that the order of the day was deferred business. He thereupon called for the part of the report of the Executive Board (III, B, 2, c) concerning United Christian College in India. The item including the actions of the Executive Board was adopted.

The item of the Executive Board's Report concerning the Common Service Book Committee (III, C, 2) was adopted.

The third item of deferred business was the matter referred

earlier in the session to the Committee on Moral and Social Welfare.

The Chairman of the Committee read the Section concerning Christian Citizenship as revised. The section was adopted. He read also the section concerning the Near East, which was adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the action of this Convention approving recommendation first of the representative in the Advisory Board of the American Bible Society of the United Lutheran Church adopted last Friday be rescinded.

The Rev. E. M. Gearhart, Chairman of the Committee on President's Report, submitted the following which was adopted:

Report of Committee on President's Report

Your Committee appointed to consider the report of the President presents the following:

The report contains no recommendations calling for action by this Convention.

In the first part of the report, the President discusses *Orderliness* in the external organization of our Church, states his conception of the respective functions of its various executive and judicial agencies in their relations to each other and to the United Lutheran Church as a whole and considers whether or not increase of centralization of power in the United Lutheran Church, over that which exists in our three merged general bodies, imperils congregational vitality and initiative. So far as this part of the report dwells on matters covered by the Report of the Commission of Adjudication heretofore presented to this Convention, it would be presumptuous for us to comment upon it. So far as it dwells upon other phases of the question, we commend it to the most thoughtful attention of our people as highly suggestive and worthy of consideration.

In its second and main part, to which the attention of our whole constituency is especially invited, the President discusses the inner life of the Church today, the spiritual reality which its outward form should express. In a presentation most masterly and comprehensive, revealing a deep insight into the causes of present religious unrest and pointing out its dangers and its only cure, he shows that the church must provide mankind with both a faith and a service, a faith in Christ and a service, not only of, but also for Christ, a faith which should be implanted in childhood and nurtured by the home training and family worship, alas, so greatly neglected today, a faith not vague and uncertain, but confessed, confessed not by mere repeti-

tion of formulas, but through living witnesses, manifesting itself in a service of Christ to men, but, more than that, in a service to men for Christ. The "Social Gospel" alone can not bring the Kingdom of God. God's will must not alone be done, it must be loved. "The Church can not be serving Jesus Christ unless it is converting men to love God and His will," which men do not do as they naturally are, modern exaltation of mankind and the human reason to the contrary notwithstanding. And so the serving love of the Church must be grounded in its confessed faith and, above all, must lead men to the Christ confessed. Shall we not search our hearts and ask ourselves, with our President, "Is our service unqualifiedly of Christ and for Christ," and, while we humbly confess our faults, pray for one another and for our Church.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. GEARHART, *Chairman*
L. RUSSELL ALDEN, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Chas. P. MacLaughlin, Chairman of the Committee on Proceedings of Constituent Synods reported. The Report was considered by items.

Report of Committee on Proceedings of Constituent Synods

Your Committee would respectfully report that nineteen separate memorials have come from the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church, and have been considered by the Committee. Inasmuch as many of them tend to re-enforce or duplicate each other, the Committee has classified them according to subjects and submits them as follows:

I. *Relating to Simplification of the Standard Parochial Report Blank.*

Your Committee recommends:

First:—That this matter be left to the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee of the United Lutheran Church with recommendation that the Standard Parochial Report Blank be simplified wherever possible, without impairing its educational and statistical value.

Second:—That the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee be instructed to prepare complete and uniform systems for Parish Records and congregational activities to facilitate the keeping and the reporting of adequate and accurate congregational statistics.

II. *Relating to Support of United Lutheran Chaplains.*

From the New York and New England Synod.

Your Committee recommends:

First:—That, for the use of the United Lutheran Chaplains in the Army and Navy, this Convention make adequate provision for equipment not provided by the government, such as communion sets, Bibles, Testaments,

hymnals, stationery, etc., which are required for the proper execution of a chaplain's work.

Second:—That the same provision be made for United Lutheran Chaplains of the National Guard and Naval Militia.

Third:—That this work be in charge of the new Standing Committee on Army and Navy Work created by this Convention.

III. *Relating to Atlantic Seashore Churches.*

From the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

Your Committee recommends that this request, "that the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the United Lutheran Church take into serious consideration the providing of representative seashore church buildings beginning at Atlantic City," be referred to that Board.

IV. *Relating to Consolidation of Seminaries at Hartwick, Gettysburg, Selinsgrove and Philadelphia.*

From the Pittsburgh Synod.

Deeming it inexpedient to form such a Commission at this time, your Committee recommends that no action be taken.

V. *Relating to Jurisdiction of the Siebenburgers.*

From the Pittsburgh Synod.

Your Committee recommends that the interests of the Siebenburgers be transferred from the jurisdiction of the Immigrants Mission Board to that of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

VI. *Relating to Support of Homes for the Aged.*

From the Pittsburgh Synod asking to be relieved from support of the National Lutheran Home for the Aged.

Believing that this request sets an undesirable precedent in relieving any one Synod from the support of the General Work of the Church, your Committee recommends that it be not granted.

VII. *Relating to 1926 Convention.*

From the Ministerium of Pennsylvania.

Your Committee recommends that the request to hold the 1926 Convention of the United Lutheran Church in Philadelphia, be referred to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, the Convention to be held there if the Executive Board finds it expedient.

VIII. *Relating to Eligibility to United Lutheran Church Executive Board.*

From the East Pennsylvania Synod.

This memorial; reading as follows:—"No one shall serve as a member of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church and as President of a District Synod at the same time"—your Committee recommends for favorable action.

IX. *On the Time of the United Lutheran Church Conventions.*

a. From the California Synod.

b. From the Alleghany Synod.

The substance of these memorials, asking that the Convention of the United Lutheran Church be held in the early summer or early in the Trinity Season, your committee recommends for favorable action, and to be put into operation by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church as soon as possible.

X. *On United Lutheran Sanatorium in the Southwest.*

From the Rocky Mountain Synod.

Your Committee recommends that the memorial on establishing a Tuberculosis Sanatorium of the United Lutheran Church in the Southwest, be referred to the Inner Mission Board of the United Lutheran Church.

XI. *On Headquarters of Board of Home Missions and Church Extension in Chicago.*

No less than seven communications have come to the Committee on this question.

Inasmuch as the United Lutheran Church decided at the Washington Convention two years ago to locate this Board in Chicago, your Committee recommends that the action taken at Washington shall stand.

XII. *On Presentation of General Causes.*

From Synod of New York and New England.

Inasmuch as this memorial directs the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church "to appoint one man to present all the general causes at the different synodical conventions," your Committee recommends that this memorial be referred to the Executive Board, and if deemed wise, authorized to act accordingly.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,
CHARLES P. MACLAUGHLIN, Chairman.
CARROLL J. ROCKEY, Secretary.

Item I, Recommendations 1 and 2, adopted.

Under discussion of Item II the report was recommitted.

The Rev. F. E. Jensen presented the Report of the Immigrants Mission Board, calling special attention to the port work. He then introduced the Rev. A. L. Ramer, Superintendent of the Slovak and Hungarian Department, the Rev. F. Scarpitti of the Italian Department and the Rev. Victor Koivumaki of the Finnish Department, each of whom addressed the Convention concerning that interest of the Board which he represented.

REPORT OF THE IMMIGRANTS MISSION BOARD

This second biennium report is presented with the growing realization that the work assigned to this Board belongs to the trained specialist. This is becoming more than ever apparent by the testing of methods in the experimental laboratory through which it has been operating since the year 1904. The work of this Board is both unique and fundamental. It is unique because its operations are among foreign speaking people who have come, and are coming, from Central, Northern and Southern Europe, such as the Slovaks, Hungarians, Letts, Finns and Italians. It is fundamental in that it is the only agency in our Church that is gathering and holding these different national groups to the Lutheran Church in America, as well as aiding them to become good Christian citizens of this great Republic. It is thus a work that is for God and Country. Its entire work is essentially constructive. It makes possible a brighter future for Church and State so far as these particular people are concerned. A work of this nature imposes a great obligation upon the entire membership of our Church. In the proportion that this obligation is realized and met will the opportunities for service and corresponding results become more manifest. Your Board has faithfully and economically, too economically, labored in its appointed sphere. It has endeavored to secure the largest possible results with the men and means at its disposal. The calls from every side for missionary ministrations are at times heartrending because of our inability to answer them. Such calls for service are becoming more numerous and more insistent at each quarterly meeting of the Board. These calls are not only from all sections of the United States and from many portions of the Dominion of Canada, but also from Europe. In Europe there is need of a certain kind of visitation among the people in the countries from whence our constitutency come. There should be a work of propaganda whereby these people in the lands across the sea could be cheered, and also be made acquainted with the work of our Church for their respective national groups in America. A closer association should be established between our Church in this country and in the countries abroad. Other American Churches are doing this very thing. Among these is one American Lutheran body. One of our missionary pastors has done some of this work during the year, on his own charges while spending his vacation there. Our Board for lack of means has not even dared to attempt a beginning in this important branch of work. It is nevertheless an essential work that is making its strong appeal for recognition in this day.

The problems of this Board are not only those usual to mission work. It has these plus the problems peculiar alone to it in dealing with foreign groups who are separated nationally and racially, and often antagonistic to each other. These foreign groups are linked up intimately with their

brothers across the sea who have for centuries been denied their full liberties. These latter have come into their full rights racially, politically and socially. It is but to be expected that the problems confronting the Board at such a time as this are unusual. The countries whence these foreign groups have come and are coming are passing through great transitions. They are developing under new and untried political situations. All is in a state of upheaval, confusion and uncertainty through change. It is truly a time when men's hearts are failing them for fear. This unsettled condition abroad has its reflex discouraging influence upon the people from these respective countries who are now in America. These people want recognition, full and undiscriminating, with those who are long settlers here or native to this land. Just here is where one of our most serious problems looms up big. It is looked upon as unjust discrimination, not to say race prejudice, on the part of our great United Lutheran Church in America when the constituency of The Immigrants' Mission Board do not receive the same consideration as, for instance, the constituency of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. As our Board dare not discriminate between one foreign group as against another foreign group, so also one group in the home mission operations of our United Lutheran Church, though such group be foreign speaking, dare not be discriminated against in having any special favors granted to another group though such group may be English speaking. All Home Mission work should be given equal rights and privileges. It is a delicate situation that has developed. It is becoming more aggravated as the months go by. The Church must aim to serve all groups without discriminating against the one, and favoring the other. This has particular reference to the matter of Church Extension Loans. The discrimination here has developed into a real grievance. In all the years of its history the Immigrants' Mission Board has had no Church Extension aid. Some hope was brought to it in the resolution bearing on this at the Washington Convention. That hope has long passed. It never materialized into even a remote possibility. Another two years without a change in this unjust situation! Our foreign speaking Lutherans have come to feel that they are not in the same class with their brethren, the English speaking Lutherans. And yet we boast ourselves of being a polyglot Church, a world Church! We treat the people of the heathen world better than those of our own world and Church. Paul says, "Let us do good unto all men, especially unto them that are of the household of faith." Our Board is in great need of Church Extension Loans. Let it no longer remain a Church Extension for a part, but become a Church Extension for the whole. If this cannot be assured at the Buffalo Convention, then the convention should make provision whereby an adequate Church Extension Fund be provided in other ways for The Immigrants' Mission Board. It is not a question of administration, but a question of provision. The details can be satisfactorily worked out by the proper authorities. When we see the slow development of some of our missions we are made sad and almost discouraged. This slow development has but

one cause—the woeful lack of funds with which to provide suitable places of worship for our people. In the city of Philadelphia the Board has two missions that are literally blind, halt and maimed, and almost ready to give up the ghost. Only a miracle can keep them alive without adequate Church extension aid. Neither has a suitable place of worship. The Philadelphia work is reaching out to the Letts and Russians in the one mission, and in the other to the Italians. The work is really failing under two able missionaries because neither has a Church building. They must adapt their time and method of services to the congregations owning and worshiping in the respective Church buildings. Monessen, Pa. is another striking and discouraging illustration of this same situation. Here it is the Italian work that can never go forward as the opportunity offers because the mission congregation has not a property of its own. We could enumerate other equally striking cases. These should be sufficient to awaken our Church to a disastrous situation.

A special committee of our Board has been appointed and directed to present a resolution on this vital matter to the Buffalo Convention.

More Foreign Speaking Pastors Needed.

Another of our many varied and peculiar problems is that arising from the lack of a sufficient number of foreign speaking ministers. There is an increasing number of fields calling for pastors. One work of our three Superintendents is to search out the uncared for and scattered groups of foreign speaking people in all portions of our land, as well as in Canada. They come to the Board with appeals for men to become settled missionary pastors to shepherd these shepherdless ones. In spite of the steady growth in the number of splendid students in preparation for the Board's mission work, and also the gratifying increase in the number of men completing their course of preparation and becoming ordained to the Gospel Ministry each year, there is an increasing lack of workers because of the rapid growth of the field. Here again the harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. This results in the overworking of a number of our pastors, on the one hand, and the inability to care for the unreached multitudes on the other hand. So far as possible a certain percentage of the people are reached through the itineraries of the Superintendents at infrequent intervals, and also during the vacation period and student supply over the year. This at its best is not satisfying to the people thus partially served. The Board is straining itself in using every possible means to minister as best it can to all who are in need of Word and Sacrament. The one and only hope lies in the production of more trained missionary pastors. One of the main efforts of this Board, therefore, has been and is the securing and training of capable, consecrated men for its mission work. The search for the right kind of men is always going on. Securing these, provision must be had for their training in Academy, College, and Theological Seminary. The Board has twenty-three students in training at the present time.

Student Aid a Necessity.

In this connection the Board makes grateful mention of the fine help that has been given our student training work by the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church. This Society has been a sympathetic and loyal helper at all times. If it were not for this aid the Board would not have found it possible to carry on this work to the extent it has gone. We are happy to record, and greatly encouraged in so doing, that the Women's Missionary Society has made out a program promising a larger amount of aid for the coming biennium. This will materially assist the Board to take on more students, and as a result more pastors will be provided for its mission work.

We would also here call attention to the commendable help of one of our Lutheran business men in this student aid work. He has supported through the Board, a student, taken out of his factory five years ago, and made it possible for him to complete his College and Seminary course. This man was ordained last June at the meeting of one of our Synods. He is serving two congregations (Hungarian), preaching in Hungarian and English. Is there any better investment?

The Board is also thankful to congregations and Synods who are aiding in the support of students.

Student Instructorship.

In addition to the regular courses of study that our students follow in common with their fellow students in College is that of a special instruction to enable them to preach and teach in a pure literary language of the foreign group to which they belong. They are also trained under this special Instructor in the Church usuages and liturgical forms of the people amongst whom they are to minister. It can readily be seen how necessary such special instruction is when the facts are stated that almost without exception these students are American born, have been in the Public Schools of their community, speak English well, but the foreign language they have acquired is a dialect and impossible for use in their coming pulpit ministrations. The special Instructor employed by the Board is a pastor of wide experience, and one fitted for this work. He gives one day in each week to the students. As the students progress in the study of grammar, reading, etc., they take up Church forms, hymns, Bible and Bible stories, so as to make them thoroughly familiar with the usuages and the material needed to be had for their ministerial work. The Board, in its practice of using the students in its missionary work, also gives them an opportunity to put into practical use the things they learn under this special Instructorship. All our students, except the Italian, are trained in our Lutheran Colleges. It has been necessary to have our Italian students attend The Biblical Seminary, New York, as the only suitable place, for the time being, to receive the essential knowledge of the Italian language, history and customs. The Finnish students attend their own Suomi College

in Hancock, Michigan. All of our men students, however, attend one of our United Lutheran Church Theological Seminaries for their Theological training.

In the case of our women students arrangements have been made whereby the Deaconess Motherhouses at Philadelphia and Baltimore are to be used. The number and classification of male students at the time this report is made is:

Slovak, Hungarian, Windish	17
Italian	3
Finnish	3
Total	23

PORT WORK.

Millions in Europe are dreaming about America. Their one great ambition is to come to America. In their dreams they are joining their more fortunate brethren who safely arrived upon the shores of this land of promise in the near or distant past. Their one hope is to be able to do likewise. Now many are hindered, perhaps, because of the restrictive three per cent. immigration law. Yet a goodly number are coming. How are they, brethren of our faith, received when they arrive at one of our ports of entry, particularly at the port of New York? Not being immigrants we give this matter no thought at all. The immigrants entrusted to the care of The Immigrants Mission Board are not received at all by anyone of the Board's representatives. In so far the Church is guilty of a great and sore neglect. Our Board is convinced of the need of having at least one port missionary in the port of New York. Most of the other national groups have this provision. Negotiations have been going on with the hope that the agency now established would care for this work in conjunction with our Board. This has not materialized. A special committee of the Board is charged with the duty of looking for a suitable man for this port work service. The Board must also find the means whereby such a man can be supported. In this work our Board is associated with seven other Lutheran agencies who are caring for the immigrant and emigrant arriving and deparing at the port of New York. These Lutheran agencies except our own have their port missionaries, and most of them have their mission homes established. They have a general Lutheran Conference which will be of great assistance to our Board when it has a paid worker in the field. In the preamble, and in article 2 setting forth the objects, is stated the excellent character of this organization:

"Whereas, after the holding of several meetings made up of representatives of Lutheran agencies operating in the port of New York in caring for the immigrant and emigrant, it has been found advisable to organize these agencies into a general conference, and, Whereas, at a meeting of representatives of these agencies held in New York, Oct. 21, 1921, it was unanimously resolved that such conference be and is hereby organized,

subject to the approval of the agencies represented, be it now, therefore, Resolved, that we unite in the adoption of the following constitution. (Article II. Objects.) (1) To establish and maintain mutual acquaintance and understanding among the Lutheran Immigrant missions and workers operating in the port of New York; (2) to facilitate co-operation in caring for the immigrant and emigrant and other persons who may need the help of the Church; (3) to aid the representatives of the Lutheran Church in their co-operation with the United States Government in the interest of this work."

By these extracts it can be seen what an important aid such a general Lutheran Conference will be in this port work. By it our Lutheran interests will be properly represented, and the right recognition received at Washington. It enables our Church to get together through its different agencies, and thus properly co-operate in caring for the arriving or departing Lutheran who needs the Church's aid. But this excellent Lutheran Conference will not avail anything for our Board unless it also has its own agent at work there. Such a worker must be placed, and at once. It will afford inestimable help and comfort to the immigrant at Ellis Island amidst the tangled maze of things that there surround and confuse. Direction will also be given by such a worker to each one served as the final entry to the United States is made. A connection, in this way, will be established between the Church and the immigrant that will safeguard the immigrant, and also tend to bring him into his new Church environment in this country. In every instance it is necessary that a worker to have access to Ellis Island must have a government pass. The securing of such a pass will be facilitated by the General Lutheran Conference referred to.

Citizenship Work.

In co-operation with the Citizenship Department of the Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., our Board has been directing its missionaries, and also getting the co-operation of foreign speaking pastors not on its missionary roll, to aid in every way possible the work of citizenship training. As the pastors come into relation with this department of work, and learn to know its real purpose and its fine fruits they are enthusiastic in its support. An excellent program of work is being developed here that is commended by all who know it.

Superintendents and Departments.

The Board has three departments of work, with a Superintendent at the head of each. The Slovak and Hungarian department, including also the Windish, Lettish and Russian directed by Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph.D.; the Italian department directed by Rev. Fortunato Scarpitti; the Finnish department directed by Rev. Victor Koivumaki. In the work of each Superintendent is included that of itinerant preaching to scattered groups of the Board's constitutency not served by our missionaries, nor organized into congregations. This itinerant work is one of the very essentials of our

operations because of the lack of men and the greatly scattered multitudes to be served.

The Slovak and Hungarian Department.

The work of our Board must of necessity be divided according to the several racial groups ministered to in its missionary operations. At first it was only the Slovaks that received the Board's attention. Then followed the additional group known as the Hungarian. Later were added the groups of Lettish, Windish, Siebenberger-Saxon, etc., under the faithful charge of the Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph.D. Under his care this department practically covers the entire territory of the United States. The great expanse of territory, with an insufficient number of workers, makes it a most difficult task to reach, at least once a year, the many settlements where these foreign speaking groups are found. As our people become established in a community they are less satisfied with the few services the Board is able to provide. This brings on an ever increasing demand for more pastors to continuously supply their spiritual needs.

The following figures will reveal the number of established mission congregations, according to each national group, and also present the wide area of the itinerant work of Dr. Ramer:

Slovak	Pastor	Paying Members	Communing Members	Church Building	Parsonage
Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. J. M. Bellan	25	46	Yes	Yes
Trenton, N. J.	" " " "	35	48	Yes	No
Pottstown, Pa.	" " " "	18	42	Yes	No
Camden, N. J.	" " " "	14	36	No	No
Irwin, Pa.	Rev. Paul Putra	50	45	Yes	Yes
Claridge, Pa.	" " "	9		No	No
Greensburg, Pa.	" " "	12	21	——	——
Hannastown, Pa.	" " "	10	12	——	——
New Kensington, Pa.	" " "	45	35	Yes	——
North Braddock, Pa.	" " "	50	39	——	——
Skaneateles, N. Y.	" " "	45	47	——	——
St. Clair, Pa.	Rev. M. F. Benko (Supply)	22	42	Yes	——
Detroit, Michigan	Rev. H. Havel	65	45	Yes	No
Grassflat, Pa.	Student Jos. Abraham	74	56	No	No
Garfield, N. J.	Student Andrew Balaska	42	97	No	No
Procter, Vt.	Rev. L. Sanjek (Supply)		58	No	No
South Bethlehem, Pa.	Student Geo. Billy	41	20	No	No
Palmerton, Pa.	Student Daniel Adamcik	22	46	Yes	No
Robertsdale, Pa.	Rev. L. Novomeskey (Supply)	18	31	——	——
Hungarian.					
Allentown, Pa.	Rev. Alex. Poloskey	70	71	Yes	Yes
Palmerton, Pa.	" " "	51	53	Yes	——
McAdoo, Pa.	" " "			——	——
New Brunswick, N. J.	Rev. Alex. Szabo	135	87	Yes	Yes
Perth Amboy, N. J.	" " "	57	36	——	——
Buffalo, N. Y.	Rev. B. Schleifer	73	43	Yes	Yes
Detroit, Mich.	Rev. J. Becker	100	24	Yes	Yes
Martins Ferry, Ohio	Rev. Jos. Korntheuer	74	93	Yes	No

Windish.					
Steelton, Pa.	Rev. L. Sanjek (Supply)	26	18	——	——
Newark, N. J.	Student Stephen Smodis	30	21	——	——
Lettish.					
Philadelphia, Pa.	Rev. Peter E. Steik	45	29	No	No
New York, N. Y.	Rev. John Steik	60	30	No	No
Derby, Maine	Rev. John Steik (Supply)		11	——	——
Roxbury, Mass.	Rev. Carl W. Zelm			Yes	Yes
Sifton, Man., Canada	Rev. W. O. Zahlis (Supply)	54	17	——	——
Libau, Man., Canada	Rev. W. O. Zahlis	23	31	——	——
Bir River, Man., Canada	Rev. W. O. Zahlis	28	2	——	——

THE FOLLOWING PLACES COMPRISE THE ITINERARY OF SUPT. A. L. RAMER.

	Attendance	Communed		Attendance	Communed
Albion, Pa.	80	45	Birmingham, Ala.	12	7
Erie, Pa.	18	16	Muskegon Heights, Mich.	61	48
Grassflat, Pa.	79	56	Bessemer, Mich.	30	20
Phillipsburg, Pa.	41	25	Copemish, Mich.	27	17
Saltsburg, Pa.	49	32	Phillips, Wis.	65	39
Lucerne Mines, Pa.	9	7	Fifield, Wis.	6	6
Coral, Pa.	13	6	Winter, Wis.	7	7
Clarence, Pa.	20	18	Medford, Wis.	7	7
Peckville, Pa.	40	25	——, Wis.	10	10
Washington, Pa.	10	7	——, Minn.	59	43
Tarrytown, N. Y.	13	10	Nashua, Mont.	7	7
Hudson, N. Y.	19	14	Malta, Mont.	2	2
Binghamton, N. Y.	30	24	Belt, Mont.	22	15
Buffalo, N. Y.	21	18	Roy, Mont.	2	2
Dayton, Ohio	16	13	Stockett, Mont.	22	16
Middletown, Ohio	6	6	Sand Coulee, Mont.	48	36
Dover, Ohio	37	14	Everett, Wash.	14	14
Barton, Ohio	22	11	Shelton, Wash.	14	10
Piney Fork, Ohio	40	30	Tacoma, Wash.	25	25
Benwood, W. Va.	19	14	Cle Elum, Wash.	14	14
Gary, Ind.	19	15	Portland, Ore.	4	4
Morgantown, W. Va.	14	10	San Francisco, Cal.	15	12
Disputanta, Va.	20	8	Pueblo, Col.	6	4
Prince George, Va.	4	4	Calhan, Col.	92	39

Supt. Ramer also conducts a systematic visitation to established congregations, both mission and self-sustaining congregations. In all twenty-two such visitations have been made in officiating at installation, dedication and other special functions.

THE ITALIAN DEPARTMENT.

The Italian people are very receptive to the Evangelical faith. They are especially open-minded to the faith, worship and polity of the Lutheran Church. To a very marked degree, due to various causes, they are much out of sympathy with the Roman Catholic Church. This is especially true in America where the Italian soon learns to know that the Roman Catholic Church is not the only Christian Church. Learning to know of

the Protestant Reformation with its fruits of religious and civil liberty he becomes interested in the Protestant Church. As he comes into contact with the members of the Protestant Church he learns to know this new phase of faith and life which makes a strong appeal to his religious nature. He gradually loses the fear of ex-communication, and makes bold to enter a Protestant Church for worship and instruction. Then begins his transformation in religious faith and life on the basis of the open Bible.

There are five million Italians in the United States. They are coming constantly in large numbers. There is no city of any size where "Little Italy" is not to be found. In these colonies there are from 2,000 to 75,000 Italians. In many of these communities the Church is not established. Without the Church's work it is almost impossible to cope with the agitators who sow the seeds of irreligion, lawlessness and discontent. The Church, co-operating heartily with the government agencies, makes it possible to save the Italian and make of him a good, Christian citizen.

Progress Made.

The Board maintains three Italian missions in Pennsylvania—Monessen, Philadelphia, Erie.

St. Paul's Italian Lutheran Church, Monessen, Pa., is at work among a population of 4,000 Italians. It has recruited a membership of seventy-nine baptized, and a communicant membership of fifty-six. This membership would quickly run into the 100 place if a Church Extension loan could be made to these people. A rented Church used at an unseasonable hour is the only place available for services, and another rented place for the citizenship and social work hinder the proper development of this promising field.

St. Peter's Italian Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, is prosecuting its work under like disadvantages as in Monessen due to the lack again of the use of a portion of the Church Extension Funds of the United Lutheran Church in America. The two places that are used are the English St. Peter's Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Neighborhood House adjoining. There is a lack of proper co-ordination because of the congregation having no Church property of its own. It has been found advisable to start another Italian mission in this city, under our Italian missionary and in conjunction with St. Peter's. It is hoped that the work will so develop in this new section as to warrant the Board in caring for both places—the one a migrant Italian neighborhood, and the other a residential Italian neighborhood. In St. Peter's there are twenty-five communicant members.

Holy Trinity Italian Lutheran Church, Erie, is the most promising Italian mission the Board has organized to date. This is due, very largely, to the splendid co-operation of the Lutheran people in Erie. This co-operation has secured for our Board, what Church Extension has failed to do for it in every other place, namely, the securing of a centrally located Church property, fully equipped for every branch of work needed. The expenditure by the Erie Lutherans will be more than $14,000. The Church property

is located in the heart of the Italian community with a population of 8,000. This with the additional 2,000 scattered over the city makes a total population of 10,000 Italians in Erie. Our Board is conducting the only Protestant mission in the city for Italians.

The congregation was organized on June 4, 1922 with a membership of twenty, at which time twelve persons were confirmed, Church Council and Trustees elected, and application made for membership to the Pittsburgh Synod. The services are in Italian and English, the Sunday School is conducted entirely in English. The Sunday School has an enrollment of 130. During the week there are conducted, as in our other missions, classes in English and citizenship, and also Welfare Work.

The Church building was dedicated on Sunday, October 16, 1921. The Lutheran people of Erie were greatly in evidence on this auspicious occasion. These good people can justly be proud over their excellent work in that they have made it possible for our Church to have set apart the first Italian Lutheran Church building in America. The appreciation of our Board was expressed at the time of the dedication in the reading of appropriate resolutions thanking the Lutherans of Erie for their good work. Supt. Scarpitti is in charge of this work, assisted by our Italian Theological student, Mr. Lawrence Regini, for the summer. It is hoped to have a settled pastor so as to allow our Superintendent to enter other territory where the door is opening to the Italian work.

The Finnish Department.

This department is conducted in co-operation with the Suomi Synod. The Superintendent, Rev. Victor Koivumaki, and the missionaries are supported half and half by each. The payments of all salaries are made monthly by the Board's Treasurer, the Suomi Home Mission Treasurer remitting the Suomi Synod's portion each month. The Suomi Synod is being drawn very close to our United Lutheran Church by this mission co-operation. It is to be confidently expected that at the next biennium convention of the United Lutheran Church the Suomi Synod will have its application for membership therein.

The Home Mission Committee of the Synod meets at least twice a year with the representative of our Board and the Superintendent of this department so as to properly plan the work. The field of operations covers the United States and Canada. The principal efforts, however, have been made in the West and Northwest of our own land. Supt. Koivumaki has made two surveys of the field, and has accomplished most gratifying results. His work is much of the nature of Supt. Ramer, and gives promise of equally large returns for the Finnish people.

The Finns are found on farms, in coal mines, iron mines, copper mines and silver mines; they are on our lake boats and upon our docks; in city as well as in country they are at work with others helping to build up the country of which they have become a part. They have too long been neglected by our Church. There are three Lutheran Synods working

amongst them, the strongest and most conservative of which is the Suomi Synod, with whom our United Lutheran Church is closely associated.

There are three Finnish students supported entirely by the funds of our Board.

The following are the names of the Finnish Missionaries and the fields served by them:

1. Rev. Edward J. Isaac, Brantwood, Wis., with congregations at Brantwood, Westboro, Marengo, North York, Pulu, Waino, and Phelps, Wisconsin.

2. Rev. K. V. Mykkanen, Lead, S. Dakota with congregations at Lead, Roubaix, and Buffalo, S. Dakota.

3. Rev. Bruno Vuornos, East Sandwich, Mass., who is the Conference Missionary for the Eastern Conference of the Suomi Synod.

4. Rev. Arvo J. Karhonen, Seattle, Washington, with congregations at Seattle, Aberdeen, Independence, Kent, Issaquah, and Edmands, Washington.

5. Rev. Vilho Ranta, Reedley, California, with congregations at Reedley, Los Angeles, and San Pedro, California.

6. Rev. D. A. Samanen, Minneapolis, Minn., where is a congregation with 314 members not counting the children.

7. Rev. Andrew Karhu, Copper Cliff, Ont., Canada, with congregations in Copper Cliff and Cobalt, Ont., Canada.

The principal places of visitation by Supt. Koivumaki, where he has preached, baptized, confirmed, and administered the Lord's Supper to Finnish Lutherans up to his coming uncared for by our Church are the following:

In Montana.—Red Lodge, Bear Creek, Billings, Roundup, Great Falls, Geyser, Belt, Little Belt, Sand Coulee, Butte.

In Wyoming.—Frontier, Diamondville, Cumberland, Rock Springs, South Superior, Hanna, Medicine Bow.

In Colorado.—Lyons, Denver, Leadville, Telluride, Somerset, Cedaredge.

In Utah.—Helper, Kenilworth, Clear Creek, Scofield, Eureka, Salt Lake City.

In Idaho.—Norwood, McCall, Arling.

In Washington.—Spokane.

In North Dakota.—Brocket, Grand Forks.

In reviewing the work of the three departments of the Board's operations it must be realized what a tremendous task is laid upon us with the small means at the disposal of the Board. Added to this is the great shortage of men to man the fields that are so white unto the harvest. We ask the Church to pray the Lord of the harvest that He provide the laborers and also the means by which the laborers are to be sustained in their missionary work of the Church. From our Lutheran homes must come an ever-

growing stream of men and women to be trained and sent forth into this essential mission work carried on for God and Country.

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS.

Six Year Term.

Rev. J. Elmer Bittle, D.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Rev. George Gebert, D.D., Tamauqua, Pa.
Rev. E. W. Simon, D.D., Akron, Ohio.
Mr. R. J. Sautter, Buffalo, N. Y.

Four Year Term.

Mr. Frank L. Fox, Erie, Pa., to succeed Mr. Geo. B. Taylor, resigned.

The Board's Operations Require:

1. A salaried Executive Secretary with proper office equipment and help.
2. The extension of its program of citizenship training.
3. The prosecution of the Port work, with salaried Port Missionaries.
4. The establishment, through the port agencies, of close relations with the Lutheran Church in Europe, with special reference to caring for the immigrant and emigrant at port of entry and departure.
5. A foreign speaking Lutheran mission in every place where our Lutheran national groups are located.
6. Sunday Schools, Luther Leagues, Men's and Women's organizations established in all our centers where congregations and missions are established.
7. Field workers for each department of our work.
8. Welfare or Social work in connection with all of the Board's missions.
9. The planning for and educating the Church to the need of a special training school for the Board's missionary force.
10. An adequate appropriation from the United Lutheran Church Treasury fully paid up each month.
11. A definite sum apportioned for the Board's use for its great and crying Church Extension Needs.

Resolutions.

1. That at least $40,000 per year for the coming biennium be granted to the Board, and that at least $10,000 annually be added to this appropriation for the next biennium.
2. That a committee be permitted to present a resolution to the Buffalo Convention setting forth the needs of an adequate Church Extension allowance for the use of the Board to be taken out of the Church Extension Funds of the Board of Home Mission and Church Extension.
3. In view of the present need of Church Extension Funds the Immigrants Mission Board requests that $20,000 annually be set apart by the

Board of Home Missions and Church Extension for the use of said Church Extension of the Immigrants Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. REHRIG, *President,*
FRANK E. JENSEN, *Secretary.*
Harrisburg, Pa.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF IMMIGRANTS MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year Ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Church Extension Fund
United Church	$21,864.00	
United, General and Branch Synods	488.73	
Women's Missionary Society	2,450.00	
Missionaries' Collections	1,799.89	
General Donations	40.80	
Subscriptions to "Slovak Lutheran"	785.50	
Chairman of Committee "More Men for the Ministry".	150.00	
Pittsburgh Synod for Expense of Students Regini and Del'Ossi	400.00	
Henry May for Expenses of Student Poloskey	1,000.00	
	$28,978.92	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Missionaries' Salaries and Allowances	$12,551.64	
Missionaries' Expenses, General	844.20	
Missionaries' Expenses, Moving	286.82	
Education of Students	7,039.36	
Superintendents' Salaries	3,150.00	
Superintendents' Expenses	1,654.66	
Expenses of Other Officers, Board Members, etc.	976.15	
Publication, "Slovak Lutheran"	1,268.41	
Loans to Churches		$500.00
Secretary's Salary	75.00	
Secretary's Office and Traveling Expenses	575.95	
Church Rental	150.00	
Advertising	81.00	
Printing and Stationery	50.64	
Legal and Auditing	$45.50	
Interest on Loans for Churches	105.00	
Certificates of Deposit	2,000.00	
Unlocated Difference in Cash	5.04	
Option on Property, Erie, Pa.	1.00	
	$30,860.37	$500.00
Excess of Disbursements	$1,881.45	$500.00

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH.

Balance, August 1, 1920	$ 2,905.18	
Add, Receipts as above	28,978.92	
	$31,884.10	
Deduct, Disbursements as above	31,360.37	
Balance, July 31, 1921		$523.73

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

RECEIPTS.

	General Fund	Church Extension Fund
United Lutheran Church on Apportionment	$24,877.60	
United Lutheran Church, General and Branch Synods	88.78	
United Lutheran Church, Women's Missionary Society	4,000.00	
Pittsburgh Synod for expenses of Students Regini and Del'Ossi	750.00	
Suomi Synod, One-half Finnish Missionaries' Salaries and Traveling Expenses	1,872.33	
Henry May for expenses of Student Poloskey	800.00	
Zion Slovak Synod	254.25	
Missionaries' Collections	1,877.09	
Interest on Bank Deposits	12.38	$10.53
	$34,532.43	$10.53

DISBURSEMENTS.

Superintendents' and Missionaries' Salaries and Allowances	$20,145.24	
Superintendents' and Missionaries' General Expenses	2,607.42	
Missionaries' Moving Expenses	234,29	
Education of Students	7,726.07	
Expenses of Board Members	624.98	
Secretary's Office and Traveling Expenses	393.52	
Treasurer's Salary	75.00	
Treasurer's Office and Traveling Expenses	31.45	
Salary of Music Director, Erie, Pa., Mission	300.00	
Salary of Janitor, Erie, Pa., Mission	200.00	
Fuel for Erie, Pa., Mission	114.25	
Bibles, Text Books, Literature, etc., for Missions	197.29	
Publication "Slovak Lutheran"	655.50	
Printing	$177.27	
Auditing	201.86	
Certificate of Deposit	400.00	
Miscellaneous	154.30	
	$34,238.44	
Excess of Receipts	$293.99	$10.53

RECONCILEMENT OF CASH.

for the Year ended 31st July, 1922.

Balance, August 1, 1921	$523.73
Add, Receipts as above	34,542.96
	$35,066.69
Deduct, Disbursements as above	34,238.44
Balance July 31, 1922	$828.25

Balance Sheet, 31st July, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash in Bank	$ 828.25	
Certificates of Deposit	2,400.00	
United States Third Liberty Loan, 4¼s	100.00	
Loan to St. Matthew's Slovak Lutheran Church	500.00	
Option on Property at Erie, Pa.	1.00	
		$3,829.25

FUNDS.

Church Extension Fund	$ 818.84	
General Fund	3,010.41	
		$3,829.25

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of Immigrants' Missions for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet, Receipts and Disbursements, etc., are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

Resolution 1 was referred to the Executive Board. Resolution 2 adopted.

By permission of the Convention an additional item in the form of a request was submitted by Secretary Jensen, numbered 3.

On motion of the Rev. J. A. Clutz this request was referred to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension for their sympathetic consideration and with power to act.

Tellers' Committee No. 4 reported and the following elections were declared.

Board of Northwestern Missions

For Term Expiring 1928.

Mr. H. Muegge

For Term Expiring 1924

Rev. H. Rembe, Sr.

Board of Ministerial Relief

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. E. Luther De Yoe
Rev. M. L. Zweizig
Mr. J. H. Brandt
Mr. John F. Ficken
Mr. E. J. Young

For Term Expiring 1926

Mr. J. Elsie Miller
Mr. Wm. F. Schneider
Mr. T. B. Stork

Board of Publication

For Term Expiring 1928

Mr. D. F. Yost

West Indies Mission Board

For Term Expiring 1928

Mr. A. H. Durboraw
Mr. S. F. Telleen

The Tellers having reported that there was no election for the members of the Committee on Jewish Missions, the ballot was restricted to the two who had received the highest votes; namely, the Revs. B. F. Hankey and J. J. Myers.

Board of Education

For Term Expiring 1924

Glenn M. Cummings, Esq.

The Tellers having reported that there was no election for the term expiring 1928 the ballot was restricted to the two who had received the highest votes; namely, Mr. Emil Hokanson and Mr. H. C. Lucky.

Board of Inner Mission

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. G. H. Gerberding
Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer
Rev. J. F. Ohl
Mr. H. M. Bikle
Mr. C. M. Distler

For Term Expiring 1926

Rev. H. Brueckner

PACIFIC LUTHERAN
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
THE LIBRARY

For Term Expiring 1924

Hon. C. N. Hoover

Board of Deaconess Work

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. E. H. Delk
Rev. G. A. Getty
Rev. J. L. Hoffman
Mr. C. E. Sadtler
Mr. F. J. Singley

National Lutheran Home for the Aged

Rev. H. Anstadt
Rev. J. E. Frantz
Rev. J. E. Harms
Rev. J. T. Huddle
Rev. R. Schmidt
Rev. F. R. Wagner
Rev. J. Weidley
Mr. L. Russell Alden
Mr. W. K. Butler
Mr. F. W. Kakel
Mr. H. T. Domer
Mr. W. H. Finckel
Mr. J. H. Jones
Mr. G. F. Muth
Mr. A. K. Wagner

The Committee having reported that there was one layman yet to be elected for this Board, the ballot was confined to Mr. H. A. Benner and Dr. E. W. Peery.

Executive Board

For Term Expiring 1926

Rev. W. H. Greever

The Tellers having reported that there was no election for the Parish and Church School Board, the ballot was restricted to the two having received the highest votes; namely, Rev. B. R. Lantz and Rev. F. M. Urich.

The following resolution was offered by the Rev. G. H. Schnur and was adopted:

Whereas, in the prosecution of our missionary labors among Italians, the need of a book of instruction and worship has become evident, therefore be it

Resolved: That the Common Service Book Committee be requested to prepare an Italian translation of Luther's Small Catechism and a brief form of The Service and of Vespers for use in the Italian Missions.

The Report of the West Indies Mission Board was presented by the Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, President of the Board. In connection with the consideration of this report the Convention heard the Rev. Z. M. Corbe, Executive Secretary of the Board, and the Rev. Alfred Ostrom of San Juan, Porto Rico.

REPORT OF THE WEST INDIES MISSION BOARD

Inasmuch as the report to the Washington Convention contained the history of the origin of this Board together with a full description of its work, this report, that it may not burden the minutes nor consume the time of the Convention, will note only such changes as may have taken place during the biennium, and give such general information as will show the manner in which this Board has discharged its stewardship.

Organization.

The annual election of officers required by the Charter resulted in the election of: President, the Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, D.D., Harrisburg, Pa.; Vice-President, the Rev. C. A. Freed, D.D., Newberry, S. C.; Secretary, Mr. H. F. Heuer, Philadelphia, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. S. F. Telleen, Chase National Bank, New York City The other members are: Rev E. Belfour, D.D., Rev. F. H. Bosch, M. S. Boyer, M.D., Rev. F. B. Clausen, Mr. A. H. Durboraw, Rev. W. J. Finck, D.D., Mr. C. W. Fuhr, Mr. R. E. Gaskell, Rev. B. F. Hankey, Rev. A. J. Holl, Rev. W. M. Horn, Rev. J. H. Meyer, E. J. Mosser, Esq., Mr. C. A. Rockwell, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr., Rev. J. J. Scherer, D.D., Mr. H. M. Schmitt; representing the Augustana Synod, Rev. P. J. O. Cornell, D.D., Rev. J. A. Anderson, D.D.; representing the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. F. F. Fry and Mrs. J. D. Jorgensen; Executive Secretary, Rev. Z. M. Corbé.

In accordance with the action of the United Lutheran Church, and the requirements of our Charter, headquarters have been established in New York City, an office being occupied jointly with the Inner Mission Board and the Board of Education.

Porto Rico.

Even before the Board of Missions for Porto Rico and Latin America turned over its work to the United Lutheran Church, the progress in this field demanded the creation of a new district. This only became possible last year, when an additional missionary was sent to the field. The enlarging opportunities afforded the Church in the Spanish work of the West Indies and Central America demand an increased apportionment that more missionaries may be sent into this field.

I. San Juan District—This, the oldest district, is in charge of the Rev. Alfred Ostrom, D.D., who, with few exceptions, has been on the field longer than any other Protestant missionary. At present his work has its center at Puerta de Tierra, where, with an unusually beautiful church, a parsonage with all modern conveniences, and the entire floor of an apartment building rented for the missionaries' living quarters, we have a superior equipment. At Puerta de Tierra two congregations with separate and distinct organizations worship in a common church building. One is the oldest

and only English Lutheran organization in Porto Rico, and the other is St. Paul's Spanish congregation.

The oldest work in this district, located in the old section of the city of San Juan, suffered a heavy reverse during the past year. The sale of the property in which we had a rented hall left no place for services except private homes, none of which are sufficiently large. A building similar to this could have been purchased fifteen years ago for $8,000. The same building was sold this year for $75,000. Had the Board in those early days been able to heed the plea of the missionary, the mission would not only have been strongly entrenched but the increased value of the property would almost make the station self-supporting. However, the progress in the Gandul section helps to balance this loss, for its development was such that a property became an absolute necessity. A fine building, well situated, was secured at a cost of $4,500, which, when remodeled, furnished the station with an acceptable chapel and very suitable living quarters for the native missionary.

An unusual opportunity was presented this year in a section where a remarkable experiment in modern city planning is being attempted. The municipality acquired a large plot of ground on which substantial cottages are being erected for working people. These can be leased for three terms of five years each with the privilege of purchasing at the end of any period. As members from our Spanish Churches were moving there, our missionaries saw the necessity of locating a station in Barrio Obrero. When seeking for property it was discovered that at the very reasonable price of $8,000 a location could be secured sufficiently large to provide for the Seminary which is soon to become a fact. This property, within a 5-cent fare of the University of Porto Rico, has been purchased.

Dr. Ostrom was assisted during the biennium by his wife, Mrs. Betty Ostrom, who is now a regularly called missionary with salary. Miss Sofia Probst also gave part time to this district. Sergio Cobian, the native preacher, with his wife, also under salary, have done excellent work. The salaried teachers are Catalina Zambrana and Berta Casos. The statistics for the San Juan District show 306 confirmed and 598 baptized members in the three organized congregations and two stations; in the five Sunday Schools and kindergartens 410 are enrolled; two Luther Leagues with 45 members, and two Women's Societies with 40 members. Notwithstanding the woeful lack of employment, the people out of their poverty contributed $1,300 toward local expenses. The Church property in this field is valued at $50,175.

II. Bayamon District—This district, in charge of the Rev. F. W. Lindke, unlike the metropolitan district of San Juan, covers a large territory and can be supervised only with the use of an automobile. A new machine was sent to the field last year. Mrs. Lindke has been regularly called as a missionary with salary and is doing effective work in the schools. The native preachers are Guillermo Marrero in the

Bayamon parish, Juan Zambrana in the Dorado parish, German Vazquez in the Monacillo parish. The parish visitor in Bayamon is Ramona Sotomayor and the teachers are Rosario Ojeda and Nicolasa Gonzalez. In the Bayamon parish there are two organized congregations, Holy Trinity and Zion, and a station at Pajaros. In addition to the organized Churches of St. Peter at Toa Baja, Gethsemane at Dorado, and Bethel at Maracayo, there are also the outlying stations of Campanilla, Higuillar and Santa Rosa. Connected with the congregations of Our Saviour at Juan and Domingo and Bethany at Monacillo, are the outlying stations of Juan Velez and Arriba.

The chief change in this district is the erection of churches at Toa Baja and Maracayo. During a fire in Toa Baja, presumably to stop its progress but more probably to destroy the Protestant work, our frame chapel was torn down by the populace. Special offerings from America enabled the Board to erect a beautiful concrete building which cannot meet the same fate. It is the finest structure in town, faces the plaza, is located on our own property and will stand as a perpetual memorial to the power of Protestantism to overcome opposition. The Church at Maracayo, originally a native house, had become so dilapidated that it was unsafe. The people donated ground and labor, which with funds from the Board, built a very presentable frame chapel. This again is the best building in the village, and on the day of dedication, like the Church at Toa Baja, was crowded to suffocation.

The statistical reports give the Bayamon district a confirmed membership of 209, baptized 407, and thirteen Sunday Schools with an active membership of 1,077. There are two Luther Leagues with a membership of 59. By great sacrifices, the people of this poor country section contributed $1,014 toward the support of the Church. The properties in this district are appraised at $29,566.

III. Cantano District—This district was newly created during the biennium and was first served by the Rev. Hans Naether, who in November, 1921, was united in marriage to one of our American missionaries, Miss Emma Schmid. Their place has been ably filled by a professor from Wagner Memorial College, New York City, the Rev. C. F. Knoll, Ph.D., and his wife, Mrs. Emma Knoll, who also has been regularly called as a missionary. The district comprises the organized Churches of Divino Salvador at Catano, and Betesda at Palo Seco, together with the outlying stations of San Tomas and Sabana. The native preacher is Salustiano Hernandez. The statistical reports give the district 133 confirmed members and 274 baptized. The four Sunday Schools enroll 202. There is one Luther League with 30 members. Contributions toward local support amounted to $327. Valuation of property is $15,056.

An interesting feature of the Porto Rico work is the part taken by our missionaries in ministering to the unfortunate lepers that dwell on "the isle of the living dead" in the harbor of San Juan.

The numerical growth on the field would be greater if it were not for the losses caused by emigration to the United States, where, because we have had no Spanish work, the greater portion of our converts are lost to the world or to the denominations which are conducting Spanish work. With the exception of the English congregation at Puerta de Tierra all our work on the Porto Rico field for twenty-two years has been in the Spanish language.

Virgin Islands.

The work in this section of our field is necessarily concerned chiefly with the preservation of the work established during the last three hundred years by the Danish National Church. The magnificent Church buildings and parsonages that are our heritage stand as monuments of the faith of pioneer forefathers and it is our duty as long as Lutherans are there, to continue the services that have been maintained so faithfully throughout the passing centuries. But it requires great consecration on the part of the missionaries, for as rapidly as they win converts they see their number weakened by emigration to New York City.

I. Frederiksted and King's Hill—Pastor J. C. Pedersen has brought to this field the results of his many years of experience in Africa, Australia and South America. He not only conducts services at Frederiksted and King's Hill, but also visits the villages on the estates, conducts services at the Poor Farm and holds regular Danish services. He is assisted by Clerk Reginald McFarlane. The congregation endeavors to look after its poor, especially the old people, who are cared for in cottages belonging to the congregation.

II. Christiansted—During the greater part of the biennium, Pastor George W. Critchlow and his wife worked zealously in this parish. The Pacific Seminary furnished a successor in the Rev. Anton E. Jensen, who with his wife, Mrs. Anna E. Jensen, and daughter, Gladys Jensen, accepted the Board's call and entered upon the work. Being Danish, he was able very quickly to enter into the life of the people. In connection with the attractive Church and large parsonage the congregation owns a property known as Pleasant Grove, where are cottages for old people and an administration building for parish organizations. During the past biennium the congregation has relieved the Board of the support of the parish clerk, Alexander Creagh. The pastor here has the unusual privilege of preaching regularly at the Leper Colony, where his services bring much cheer to these unfortunate people.

III. St. Thomas and St. John—Pastor J. P. Christensen has worked faithfully during the past biennium although the difficulties of serving parishes in different islands are great. He has added street preaching to his duties, at times having over 500 people listening to him, and surprising conversions have been made and backsliders reclaimed. The Church properties at St. Thomas, consisting of an unusually fine Church, a parish

house, old people's cottages and a parsonage, have impressed tourists with the standing of the Lutheran Church. This congregation also during the present biennium assumed the support of the parish clerk, Amos Benjamin. The Church property in the island of St. John is a frame structure but for the people living in this primitive land without mail service or modern conveniences of any kind, it is considered very commodious. Clerk Carl E. Francis is the able assistant here.

The property in the Virgin Islands erected at the expense of the Danish National Church many years ago, is appraised at $209,000. Statistics show the baptized membership to be 2,047, confirmed 1,058; 703 enrolled in the Sunday Schools, three Luther Leagues with 101 members, one parish school enrolling 35, one Dorcas Society with 14 members, one women's missionary society of 40, and one men's society with 60 members. The local contributions amounted to $8,971.

Works of Mercy—Before the transfer, the Danish National Church, to a great extent, had charge of many charities that in the United States are carried on by the Government. Only such charities have been continued by our Board as the Government will not undertake.

Children's Homes—The Queen Louise Homes for Sick and Neglected Babies, originally established by the Danish Missionary Societies under the patronage of the Dowager Queen Louise, have continued their blessed work among the children of the poor and of the outcast. The Homes have a capacity of sixty children each. The work is divided into three departments—a sick ward where neglected infants are nursed back to health, the day nursery where little ones whose mothers must work in the cane fields are cared for, and the kindergarten. During the past two years the number of nursing days were calculated to be 29,992. Sister Maren Knudsen, the only one of the Danish Deaconesses remaining, has labored most self-sacrificingly at Frederiksted for the past fourteen years and is now on a well-deserved furlough in Denmark. At Christiansted, Sister Carrie Gick, of the Baltimore Motherhouse, has had unusual success during the past biennium, both in parish work and in the Home. Through the kindness of the Motherhouse at Baltimore, Sister Clara Smyre has been loaned to the field as a substitute during the furloughs of Sister Maren and Sister Carrie. Sister Clara arrived on the field the first of June and entered enthusiastically upon her work.

Ebenezer Orphanage—This Home has been doing a great work and is needed in a country where three-fourths of the births are illegitimate, but it is also an institution demanding great sacrifice by those in charge. Sister Emma was succeeded by Miss Nanca Schoen, who had been sent to the Virgin Islands field to build up our educational work. To labor in a Home where there are children who should have been in a home for incorrigibles and others whose mentality is far below normal, requires the sacrifice of a martyr. But Miss Schoen's labors have been so blessed that today the Home is hopefully facing the future. The Government

authorities have co-operated in providing for the incorrigible and weak-minded, leaving Miss Schoen and her helpers free to enter upon the specific task of the Home and in addition giving opportunity to put into effect a plan for work among young girls similar to that of the Y. W. C. A. in America.

EDUCATIONAL.

Kindergartens—While recognizing the great importance that Christian education plays on the mission field, our income permits us only to undertake a few Christian kindergartens and some first grade work. Were funds available to establish schools as the Roman Catholics are now doing, Protestantism would soon control the entire country. Miss Sofia Probst, in charge of our Christian kindergarten work in Porto Rico, and Miss Nanca Schoen, in charge of the educational work in the Virgin Islands, have both done exceptional pioneer work. During the summer months, through the consecration of our workers, daily vacation Bible schools were conducted in the chief stations. These were so successful that the children begged to have them continued throughout the year.

Industrial—Another recognized need is the establishment of industrial schools. The excellent schools of the Presbyterians have done much to strengthen their work and our missionary forces are planning for similar schools as soon as the apportionment permits. In the meantime, building on the foundation laid by Mrs. Ostrom in the lace industry which she established, classes are being conducted for the more ambitious young people in basket-weaving, lace making and bead work. Through the generous co-operation of the Women's Missionary Society in this country the sale of these products not only provides Mrs. Ostrom's salary, but during the past biennium bought a chapel and parsonage for one of our mission stations, and established a fund for the purchase of material for future sales. The present industry has meant much to the poor people who have little chance to improve their condition. In connection with the industrial school a farm is very essential on which poor people may locate their huts when evicted by heartless landlords. A thank-offering of $300 by Mrs. H. L. McMurray has given us a start in this laudable enterprise and with such a poor farm it is hoped eventually to develop an industrial school.

Men for the Ministry—There has been an awakening on the part of our young men and we have more candidates for the ministry than ever before. But all are poor and having no Synodical beneficiary aid the Board cannot take all who offer themselves. Besides the five men studying in our Missionaries' Seminary, we have two men in Porto Rico schools, partially supported by us, two men who are entirely supported by the Board in American schools, and two who are studying in America at their own expense. Mr. Paul West while studying at Wagner College, is assisting in the care of the West Indian congregation in Harlem, New

York City, and Mr. Isaac Holness, while studying in the Mt. Airy Theological Seminary, is endeavoring to establish work among colored people in Philadelphia.

Theological Seminary—For some years our missionaries in Porto Rico have endeavored to train their native helpers along theological lines. Recognizing the growing demand for a native ministry and the inadequateness of their equipment, they prayed and worked for a solution of the problem. In answer, the Lord put it into the heart of one of His devoted servants, the Rev. H. L. McMurray, to provide for this need. In 1915 he made a will, directing that after the death of his wife, his property should be given to the Board of Missions for Porto Rico and Latin America "for the purpose of founding and establishing an institution of Christian education for the training of young men for the Christian ministry, said institution to be known as the McMurray Memorial in memory of my little son, Robert Jenkins McMurray." Brother McMurray was called to his heavenly reward on January 8, 1922, and his widow, desiring to see his plans put into immediate effect, has consented to make the funds available before her death on condition that the Board execute an annuity bond in her favor.

Literature—A great handicap in working among people of another language is the lack of literature. While the Bible Societies have furnished Bibles and many good books, as yet no satisfactory Lutheran books are available. The missionaries have done what they could and for years have issued a monthly paper in Spanish, called "El Testigo," in which have been published many valuable selections from Lutheran works. Luther's Catechism and the Augsburg Confession were printed some years ago, and during the past biennium the Principles of the United Church were translated and published, as well as the entire series of "Sunrays" in the Graded Sunday School course. More than a half million of these colored picture cards were used. For some time a Spanish hymnal and service book has been in preparation, which, when finished, will be submitted to the Church Book Committee for further revision and approval. There is also in preparation a series of tracts and pamphlets.

Harlem, New York City.

The work undertaken by this Board among West Indians in New York City has, during the past biennium, grown into a congregation numbering 304 communicant members. This is the largest colored Lutheran congregation in the Western Hemisphere. An immediate necessity is the purchase of a Church property, but $50,000 is the lowest price for which a property can be secured, and that not large enough to accommodate the present congregation. The work is being cared for by the Executive Secretary, assisted by Mr. Paul E. West and Sister Emma Francis, who was transferred to New York City in February, 1922. The congregation is well organized and with proper equipment could more than double its membership during the next two years.

Santo Domingo.

Anticipating a larger return on apportionment, in which provision had been made for advance work, Dr. Ostrom was instructed immediately after the last Convention to visit the immense field in Santo Domingo. The survey which he made reveals at least three places where the Lutheran Church should immediately begin work, not simply because we have Lutherans already there, but on account of the unusual opportunity for work among Spanish people. This survey is more informing than that of the Inter-denominational Committee, and our prospects would be brighter than that of the Union Movement, which last year put $80,000 into the city of Santo Domingo alone. But it will not be possible for us to enter this field as long as more than one-third of the apportionment remains unpaid.

The great untouched field in Cuba, as well as the work along the Mexican border, constitute fields white unto the harvest. A careful investigation of the Spanish situation in New York City has revealed a field for Protestant work which challenges the Lutheran Church because we have Spanish Lutheran families there. Plans are now under way which will enable us to establish Spanish work in New York.

Co-operation.

Augustana Synod—It is a pleasure to report the support of the Augustana Synod during the past biennium and the interest manifested by their representative. At their recent Convention, this Synod voted to provide the entire support of Dr. Ostrom. At a meeting of our Board on November 8, 1921, the following change in the Constitution was unanimously passed:

"For Article III, Section 4, substitute: 'Other Lutheran Bodies may, with the approval of the United Lutheran Church in America, co-operate with the Board, and may appoint representatives to meet with it as advisory members, and such representatives may be elected by the United Lutheran Church in America, in the regular manner to full membership in the Board; *provided,* however, that the whole number of such members shall not exceed three and that their election shall in no wise, now or hereafter, entitle their respective bodies to any claim upon the property, real or personal, held by or in the name of the Board.'"

This was referred to the Executive Board, which recommended certain changes which were adopted and incorporated in the above resolution and met with the Executive Board's approval. The change will be submitted to this Convention for its ratification by the Executive Board.

We have had the co-operation of the United Danish Synod in supplying a member of that body for our Virgin Island field.

Women's Missionary Society—The co-operation and generous support of the Women's Missionary Society has been one of the most encouraging features of our work. Not only have they assisted us by informing the

Church concerning our work through the excellent literature which they have published and widely distributed, but they have also largely supported the enterprises of the Board on the field. They have contributed liberally toward the Homes for Sick and Neglected Babies in the Virgin Islands, and the kindergarten work in Porto Rico, and in addition this year provided the entire support of Miss Sofia Probst. Their total gifts during the biennium amounted to the magnificent sum of $4,931.50.

Home Mission Board.—By action of the committee assigning seasons for special appeals by the Boards, our Board was properly placed with the Home Mission Agencies, with whom we co-operated in preparing literature for appeals to the Church.

Deaconess Board.—With the transfer of Sister Emma to America the question arose concerning her relationship to the Deaconess' work of the United Lutheran Church. At a conference of committees from the two Boards, the Deaconess Board agreed to receive her as a Deaconess of the United Lutheran Church and assigned her to the work in New York City. The assistance of this Board in sending Deaconesses to our field and their cordial co-operation in the Inner Mission activities of our Board, especially in the effort to establish a colored Deaconess' Home in this country, is most encouraging and highly appreciated.

Foreign Board.—Since the merger several efforts to obtain a definition of our sphere of activity resulted in conferences with the Foreign Mission Board, culminating in a meeting of the Executive Committees of these Boards at Atlantic City on January 10, 1922, at which time the West Indies Mission Board presented the following proposition:

"*Whereas,* foreign mission work is pre-eminently work among non-Christian people, and

"*Whereas,* the work among Spanish speaking races is a work among people nominally Roman Catholic, and

"*Whereas,* the West Indies Mission Board has been assigned the Spanish work of the Board of Missions for Porto Rico and Latin America,

Be it Resolved, That we agree that the West Indies Mission Board should undertake work among Spanish speaking people wherever the opportunity offers."

A counter proposition came from the Foreign Mission Board to merge the West Indies work with theirs. Special committees were appointed which considered the matter and unanimously adopted the following as a statement of their conclusions:

"After prayerful, patient and harmonious consideration of the problems confronting these two Boards, in view of the importance of the larger interests of the whole Church revealed by this discussion, be it resolved that this joint committee record as its deliberate judgment that the questions of the spheres of the activities of these two Boards cannot be prop-

erly determined until the United Lutheran Church has given further consideration to the question of the re-allocation of the work at present assigned to its various Boards."

NEGRO SURVEY.

The Washington Convention directed the West Indies Board to undertake a survey of work among Negroes. (See printed minutes, page 439, section 3, Report of Special Committee.)

Acting upon this instruction, the Board, through its Executive Secretary, made an extended study of the Negro in America. The space allotted this report would not permit even an outline of the material gathered for this survey. The consideration of this subject not only from the religious but also from the civil, economic and educational standpoint discloses:

First, that contrary to the popular notion that Negroes are naturally religious and all of them belong to some church, reliable statistics indicate that more than half the Negro population in the United States have no connection with any church, and that, in addition, owing to an inadequately prepared ministry and the constant interjection of racial and political questions into their church life, a large proportion of those enrolled as church members cannot be reckoned as adding anything to the Christian forces of this country.

Therefore, the United Lutheran Church has not only a great opportunity but a very pressing call to preach the Gospel to these seven million unevangelized and unshepherded Negroes of America. Furthermore, the stabilizing influence of the firm convictions and pure faith of the Lutheran Church is sadly needed to strengthen the courage and zeal of Negro Christians who are praying for aid in stemming the tide of racial prejudice that threatens to undermine the faith and life of their churches.

In the second place, while recognizing the existence of this unusual opportunity, we cannot recommend that as a general body we enter this field at the present time because of the seemingly insurmountable obstacles that will prevent successful prosecution of the work. The first and more evident obstacle, although not the more important, is the lack of funds for such an undertaking. To make the faintest impact on this great body of unconverted souls would require an annual apportionment of not less than $50,000, which is an impossibility in the face of the present budget, wherein no Board has received the sum they deemed necessary for the work already established.

But the greater and more important obstacle is the unpreparedness of our people for this bewildering task. In gathering material for this survey it soon became manifest that, even though the funds were on hand, the Church was not ready to adopt a definite program until accurate knowledge takes the place of illogical opinions based on isolated experiences which have fostered prejudices and the sentimentality that govern much of the current discussionss of racial questions.

Our recommendation is submitted at the conclusion of this report.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE WEST INDIES MISSION BOARD

July 31, 1920, to July 31, 1922.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

United Church, Apportionment	$37,113.00	
United, General and Branch Synods (Special)	238.08	
Augustana Synod	2,373.83	
Women's Missionary Society	1,910.00	
Loans	7,820.00	
Proceeds From Sale of Securities	5,012.50	
Danish Grants	713.54	
West Indian Lutheran Church, New York City	1,553.70	
Calada Fund	973.60	
Interest on Investments	52.31	
General Donations	488.57	
Transferred From Porto Rico Board	4,044.98	
		$62,294.11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of Missionaries and Native Workers	$19,320.64	
Salary of Secretary	1,000 00	
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	993.00	
Expenses of Missionaries and Native Workers	2,382.76	
Expenses of Secretary and Board Members (Meetings)	828.99	
Expenses of Missionaries on Furlough	1,067.42	
Mission Literature and General Expenses in the Field	2,019.59	
Donations to Homes, etc. (Support Charitable Institutions	7,510.36	
Loans Repaid	200.00	
Interest on Loans	343.44	
Securities Purchased	14,028.45	
Real Estate and Property Purchased	5,118.40	
Real Estate Maintenance, Taxes, etc.	1,394.61	
Incorporation Expense	1,302.85	
Rental of Office	240.00	
Office Supplies and Expense	126.25	
Postage	86.59	
Publicity	808.90	
Accrued Interest on Securities Purchased	120 68	
Bank Charges for Exchange, etc.	25.39	
		58,918.32
Excess of Receipts		$3,375.81

BALANCE SHEET, JULY 31, 1921.

Assets.

Cash in Banks		$6,630.82
Investments at Cost:		
$4,100 U. S. Victory Liberty Loan 4¾s	$4,022.20	
5,000 U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness, 5½s	5,003.12	
		9,025.32
Real Estate and Buildings at Appraised Values, as annexed		296,375.00
		$312,031.14

Liabilities.

Loans	12,020.00	
Interest Accrued on Loans	258.96	
	$12,278.96	

Funds.

Special Funds:			
Rev. William Ashmead Schaeffer Memorial	$2,375.00		
Dorado Chapel	1,677.48.00		
West Indian Lutheran Church Building	1,500.00		
Wilkes-Barre Conference Memorial Chapel	1,000.00		
Boys' Orphanage, Toa Boja Chapel and Other Funds	1,006.29		
		7,558.77	
General Fund		292,193.41	
			312,031.14

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the Year Ending July 31, 1922.

Receipts.

United Church on Apportionment	$37,316.40	
United, General and Branch Synods (Special)	239.54	
Augustana Synod	1,942.10	
Women's Missionary Society	3,201.50	
Proceeds From Sale of Securities	5,000.00	
Churches, Committees, etc.	2,486.07	
West Indian Lutheran Church, New York City	1,576.28	
Calada Fund	1,244.85	
Interest on Investments	499.51	
Miscellaneous	579.20	
		$54,085.45

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of Missionaries and Native Workers	$19,675.64	
Salary of Secretary	1,750.00	
Salaries of Clerks, Stenographers, etc.	1,092.00	
Expenses of Missionaries and Native Workers	3,413.01	
Expenses of Secretary and Board Members (Meetings)	1,110.20	
Expenses of Missionaries on Furlough	1,979.33	
Mission Literature and General Expenses in the Field	988.23	
Donations to Homes, etc. (Support Charitable Institutions)	6,399.00	
Interest on Loans	715.00	
Building Operations	5,873.00	
Real Estate and Property Purchased	6,918.75	
Real Estate, Maintenance, Taxes, etc.	3,420.06	
Rental of Office	260.00	
Office Supplies and Expense	342.44	
Postage and Telegrams	101.80	
Publicity	546.02	
Auditing	319.57	
Bank Charges for Exchange, etc.	16.92	
Designated Funds Transmitted Through Treasurer.	584.69	
		$55,505.66
Excess of Disbursements		$1,420.21

Balance Sheet, July 31, 1922.

ASSETS.

Cash in Banks		$5,210.61
Investments at Cost:		
$4,100 U. S. Victory Notes 4⅜s		4,022.20
Real Estate and Buildings at Appraised Values		301,798.21
		$311,031.02

LIABILITIES.

Loans	$14,028.00	
Accounts Payable	1,476.64	
Interest Accrued on Loans	254.34	
	$15,758.98	

FUNDS.

Special Funds:			
Rev. William Ashmead Schaeffer Memorial	$2,375.00		
Dorado Chapel	1,677.48		
West Indian Lutheran Church Building	3,150.00		
Wilkes-Barre Conference Memorial Chapel	1,000.00		
Boys' Orphanage and Other Funds	895.29		
		9,097.77	
General Fund		286,174.27	
			311,031.02

Respectfully submitted,
S. F. TELLEEN, *Treas.*

Philadelphia, August 28, 1922.

We have audited the accounts of the Board of West Indies Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America for the two years ended July 31, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet, July 31, 1922, and Statements of Receipts and Disbursements for the years ended July 31, 1921, and 1922, are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

Very truly yours,
LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

RECOMMENDATION.

Concerning the survey of work among Negroes, we recommend:

"That for the present the Constituent Synods be instructed wherever opportunity offers and local conditions permit, to undertake work among Negroes and that, as soon as their efforts produce results sufficiently large to demand general oversight, the United Church appoint a general Board to administer the work;

"And, secondly, that the material of the survey by the West Indies Board be referred to the Executive Board, with authority to publish such parts as it may consider helpful in arousing and informing the Church, distributing the same through the Synods, Conferences and Women's Missionary Societies."

H. W. A. HANSON, *President,*
C. A. FREED, *Vice-President,*
H. F. HEUER, *Secretary,*
S. F. TELLEEN, *Treasurer,*
Z. M. CORBÉ, *Executive Secretary.*

Recommendation; First and second parts adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

Moved and carried, that the hearing of the Report of the Jewish Mission Committee shall be the order for tomorrow morning immediately after the Report of the Committee on Associations of Young People.

The session adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. C. Dietz.

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Evening Service

At eight o'clock on Tuesday Evening there was held in Holy Trinity Church a service at which the Rev. John A. Morehead, D.D., LL.D., presented the subject "The Lutheran Church in the Present Crisis." At this service Dr. Morehead read the following cablegram from Dr. Larsen.

"God's blessing. Remember the hungry and naked children."

The service was read by the Rev. G. A. Getty. The Scripture lessons were Acts 1:1-18, Matthew 25:31-46, Psalm 97.

SEVENTH MEETING

Morning Session

Wednesday, October 25th, 8:45.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. Theo. Posselt.

Acting President Burgess called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of Tuesday morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved.

Consideration of Item II of the Report of the Committee on Proceedings of Constituent Synods was resumed. Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

Item III. Recommendation adopted.

Item IV. Recommendation adopted.

Item V. On motion of the Rev. G. A. Benze the item was referred to the Executive Board in connection with the general resolution already adopted concerning the survey of the spheres of Boards.

Item VI. Recommendation adopted.

Item VII. Recommendation adopted.

Item VIII. On motion of the Rev. J. A. W. Haas the item was referred to the Executive Board with instructions to report at the next Convention.

Item IX. On motion of Dr. Benze the item was referred to the Constituent Synods for consideration.

The following resolution was adopted. (Wednesday afternoon, October 25th.)

That the Executive Board be instructed to secure and collate the opinions of the Synods, to report the result to the next Convention, and to report also their own mature judgment after a study of the opinions.

Item X. Recommendation adopted.

Item XI. Recommendation adopted.

Item XII. Recommendation adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Report of the Committee on Association of Young People was presented by Mr. Harry Hodges, Secretary of the Committee. Mr. Hodges spoke as representing both the Committee and the Luther League of America.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ASSOCIATIONS OF YOUNG PEOPLE

The Committee on Associations of Young People of the United Lutheran Church in America would submit its report to your honorable body as follows:

The committee met and organized by the election of E. Augustus Miller as Chairman, and Harry Hodges, Secretary.

The committee in compliance with your resolution has been active in securing as far as possible, the reorganization of the various State Luther Leagues along Synodical lines. This objective has been accomplished in many instances, particularly in the West and Middle West, by a merging of Synods in connection with the United Lutheran Church. The District Leagues of Baltimore and District of Columbia will merge shortly into the Luther League of the Synod of Maryland. We have urged the various State Leagues, comprised within the boundary of the Synod of the Northwest to merge into and organize a Synodical League. Difficulty in securing this reorganization along Synodical lines has been experienced particularly in the East, where Synods which form component arts of the United Lutheran Church overlap territorially, sometimes their Bodies extending into several states. To insist upon an immediate change along Synodical lines in some instances we feel would be unwise and therefore have not always urged an immediate reorganization. There are conditions which must be met and we believe we are serving the best interests of the Church in going slowly and not insisting too strenuously upon the change in some localities. The reorganization must be accomplished in some instances gradually and as a matter of development.

During the past Biennium several young people's missionary federations have affiliated with the Luther League of America, also many local Christian Endeavor Societies. We feel, however, that a recommendation or resolution from the United Lutheran Church, further urging all of the Young People's Societies to become organically connected with and an integral part of the Luther League of America would be a large help in securing the active co-operation of our Christian Endeavor Societies.

We regret to report that the Canada League has withdrawn from the Luther League of America, but, as a result of correspondence we sincerely hope that they may be induced to reunite with and become part of that organization.

With the sanction of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church the Luther League of America has entered into an agreement with the Women's Missionary Society and the Church and Parish School Board in the co-ordination of Junior Work. This has resulted from various conferences which have been held in which representatives of this committee have participated. We sincerely trust that the arrangements made may prove satisfactory and helpful and may remove any cause of friction between these various agencies of the United Lutheran Church.

We are pleased to report that by an arrangement made with the editors of *The Lutheran,* the Young People's Page in that periodical is being edited by the Luther League of America through its representative.

At the coming Convention of the Luther League of America to be held in September of the present year, the various changes and amendments to the Constitution recommended by this committee and approved by the Executive Committee of the Luther League of America will be presented for action, and it is our firm hope and belief that the same will be duly ratified and adopted by the Convention. In this connection, we are pleased to report also that the new objective which will be recommended for adoption at this Convention of the Luther League of America is as follows:

The objects of this League shall be to encourage the formation of Young People's Societies in all congregations of the United Lutheran Church in America, to stimulate Christian activity in and to foster the spirit of loyalty to the Church through Education, Mission, Life Service.

A. *Education*—Bible Study, Topics, Reading Courses.

B. *Missions*—By the encouraging of the specific study of missions and definite missionary work by local, district and Synodical leagues.

C. *Life Service*—By directing the thought of the young people to the service of the Church, both as a vocation and as an avocation.

It is proposed to organize three new departments along the line of the above objectives and to place them in charge of competent heads. This, in the judgment of your committee will mean much in the life of the League and the Church.

In conclusion your committee desires to express its pleasure at the progress and development of the Luther League of America and to commend the careful, conservative, churchly, constructive work which is being done by the management of that organization. We bespeak for this great organization the sympathetic consideration and the prayers of the members of the Church.

SUGGESTED RESOLUTION

Resolved, that the United Lutheran Church again calls the attention of the young people's societies, both federations and local organizations, to the adoption of the Luther League of America, as its official young people's organization and urges their loyal affiliation with it.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Augustus Miller, *Chairman.*

The resolution was adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. L. H. Larimer presented the Report of the Committee on Jewish Missions and introduced the Rev. Paul I. Morentz who addressed the Convention concerning the difficulties and results of the work.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JEWISH MISSIONS

Among the many problems of our present-day world the problem of the Jewish race occupies a position of dominating importance. Unjustified condemnation of an entire people and deliberately nursed prejudices are singling out the Jew as the main and sole spring of all the evils of our present day. It cannot be denied that such a problem exists and that its proper solution will mean an enormous step forward in the development of mankind. The ancient people of Israel are a most valuable part of humanity. Theirs are characteristics which to this day place the men of the Old Testament, from Noah and Abraham to Isaiah and Amos, not to speak of the Apostles and Martyrs in the New Testament, among the most impressive and lovable figures in human history. Profound in thinking, fervent in religious devotion, strong in patient endurance, exemplary in filial piety, unsullied in marital fidelity—the true Jew even today holds much which makes him worthy of our esteem, sympathy and friendship. That the large majority of the Jews today are the chief exponents of the materialistic spirit of the age is plainly due to the fact that they have lost the faith of their Fathers and have become modern heathen. That a man without faith and the guiding influence of religion means a serious menace to mankind is clearly demonstrated by the Jewish people. Drifting away from his religious foundations, the Jew was offered nothing to fill his spiritual wants. The great Christian Church with her multitudes of believers, her temples and institutions everywhere throughout the civilized world, her spirit dominating the structure of public life, her standards of morality justly aspiring to leadership over the entire globe—this same great Christian Church, for eighteen centuries, has failed to recognize her divinely imposed duty to offer the Gospel of salvation to the Jew at her very door.

If there is such a thing as a menacing problem of materialistic Judaism, it exists because of the negligence of the Christian Church in her attitude towards the Jew. If this problem is to be rightly solved, there can be only one solution in the mind of Christians, and that is, to bring the Jew to Christ by bringing Christ to the Jew. Jewish Missions of the Christian Church, therefore, should claim the undivided attention of all Christendom, and, in order to succeed, command its unqualified support, both material and spiritual.

Concerning the work, under the auspices of your Committee on Jewish Missions as an agency for bringing the Gospel to the Jews, we stand with humility and gratitude before Almighty God, but with no less assurance that Jewish Missions during the past biennium has fully justified the faith of the Washington Convention. Far be it that we glory in our achievements, save that through our humble means the name of the Lord has been glorified before a people who heretofore have stumbled at the name of Jesus, the Messiah. We would respectfully present to the

United Lutheran Church the various problems which have engaged our attention as a committee.

A. The Extensive Development of the Work.

For over a decade there was but one Jewish Mission station, at Pittsburgh, founded and still conducted by Pastor John Legum. The Merger found another mission just in its earliest stage, at Philadelphia, of which Pastor Paul I. Morentz was and still is the missionary. During the first biennium of the United Lutheran Church, a third station was opened, at Baltimore; and today this work, under the leadership of Pastor Henry Einspruch, is well established. During this last biennium, our activities were again enlarged, not indeed without considerable anxiety on the part of the committee because of its much depleted treasury; but, inspired by the persistent call and promise of the solid support by Toledo Lutherans, the fourth mission station there has been authorized and its doors are being thrown open at the time of this convention. Pastor Isadore Schwarts, an experienced missionary, graduate of Chicago Seminary and formerly head of the Zion Mission of the Norwegian Church at Chicago, has accepted the call to this field and is just now entering upon his new duties. This record shows gradual and conservative progress. The committee's eyes are now turned towards the greatest center of Jewish life in the world—the great metropolis—New York. There, in response to the demands of our New York Lutherans, the fifth mission station will, with the help of God, be opened in the course of the next year.

Such a consistent development of the work will alone do justice to the greatness of the Cause and to the Church in whose behalf the work is undertaken. Not by an isolated local challenge, but by a concerted effort of the entire Church, expressed in mission work distributed over all the sections of the Church, will the problem be solved. The Jew in America must engage our attention. The United Lutheran Church, whose work covers practically every State in the Union and Canada, in its entirety must become interested in a cause which deals with a continent-wide problem.

B. The Intensive Development of the Work.

1. Thousands of Jews have probably for the first time received the Gospel Message, either through personal contact with our missionaries or through the printed word distributed far and wide. An average of 300 Jews come in personal touch with the missionaries each month. During the summer months, the Baltimore mission conducts open air services every Friday evening at one of the principal corners of the Jewish section, at which, from one to two hundred Jews attend every week. Our Pittsburgh missionary is quite a familiar figure not only in Pittsburgh but in the neighboring towns and cities, and wherever he goes, he distributes hundreds of tracts among his kinsmen. Our Philadelphia missionary, located at the headquarters of the committee, receives frequent requests from all parts of the country for literature and tracts. Pastors

ask for them to have them distributed among the Jews in their community. One convert living at Los Angeles, another at Ashtabula, Ohio, are regularly receiving tracts to supply their Jewish acquaintances. A mission circle at Milwaukee, Wis., obtained several hundred pamphlets which the members faithfully distributed among the Jews of Milwaukee. Who can estimate the blessings which such faithful testimonies may bring about in our future work!

2. Hundreds of Jews have been brought into more lasting contact with the Kingdom through Bible Study Classes, which are conducted regularly on three or four nights every week. They may come there with different purposes in view—to learn the elementaries in reading, writing and arithmetic, or to acquire a knowledge of the English language,—but they will have the Bible truth of the Old and the New Testament taught them in an appealing manner. Many will attend most regularly for weeks or months, the majority of which are led into a full knowledge of Christ and of God's plan of salvation. Out of the larger number, over twenty have been selected by our missionaries, who class them as candidates for baptism. They are receiving regular instruction in Christian doctrine and will one day, we hope and pray, become full and true believers in Jesus, the Messiah. It is a peculiar fact that the average Jew has practically no knowledge of his own Old Testament. He is more familiar with the intricacies of Talmudic teachings than with the plain truth of God's word. Most of those people only learn to know Moses and the Prophets through the instruction in our missions. Progress in this work is naturally slow, especially since we cannot be satisfied with a mere knowledge of Christian truth, but must insist on a full and unqualified personal acceptance of the Christ as their Lord and Saviour and a change of heart and life—in short, a complete conversion. Some of those people will wander from mission to mission for years before they finally gain faith and courage enough to take the last decisive step—Holy Baptism.

3. Our missions compile visiting lists of families and individuals with whom the workers come in contact. These people are called upon regularly and, if possible, other members in their households are approached and influenced. Where we have a fully manned mission, as we have only in one station so far, in Philadelphia, the visiting list will grow to imposing proportions. Missionary, Lay-helper and Woman Missionary in Philadelphia are caring for a flock of 175 families and individuals. There we also have another channel of influencing Jewish home life, in the organized children's work,—a work for the future. With a Kindergarten every morning, classes for older children after school hours, and Sunday School for all, the work can be considered fairly well established. Eighty-three children are at the present writing enrolled in these different classes under the tutelage of our efficient woman missionary, Miss Florence Shedd. Some day, this seed will grow; some day, some one will harvest where we are now sowing the seed, in patience and in faith.

4. Lastly, we have our converts. Thousands approached, hundreds influenced and taught, and twelve brought to the final point, to a full confession of Jesus Christ in Holy Baptism. What are these among so many! Is is only in due recognition of the sublime value of the Christian Sacrament of Baptism that this rite is not performed more generally and indiscriminately by our missionaries. Realizing the difficulties which contempt and persecution by his closest kin will bring over the Jewish Christian, his character and his faith must be firmly established, before, in justice to him and to the Christian Faith, he can be admitted to Holy Baptism. God be praised for the abundance of His harvest and for the inspiration which such visible fruits of our humble efforts instill into our workers and friends of our Cause.

One of our converts was present at the baptism of Pastor Legum which took place at Paris, France, over thirty years ago. During all that period he maintained a deep and sincere interest in Christianity, but only recently could he be led into the full communion of believers.—A prosperous business man in an Eastern town came under the influence of one of our missionaries. The attitude of his family and his fellow-Jews thereupon became so hostile that he sacrificed what might have been considered a promising future, and left the city for the far West. In Los Angeles he was baptized and received into the membership of one of our Lutheran churches.—A young Jewess, married to a Gentile, while visiting her parents, gave birth to a baby boy. Her parents, resenting her marriage to a non-Jew, persuaded her to have the child admitted into the Old Covenant through circumcision. The father, a nominal Lutheran, having learned of this, came to the missionary for counsel and advice. The happiness of a family lay in the balance, as she refused to return with her husband unless he himself would embrace the Jewish faith. She was finally induced to remain with him and then followed frequent correspondence with the missionary, resulting in the baptism of the young mother and baby at one of our Lutheran Churches. Her conversion had the effect that her husband, who heretofore had been rather indifferent to religion, also experienced a change of heart and became an ardent believer and worker for his Saviour.—Another Jewess, baptized together with her son, is one of the most faithful members of one of our city churches, carefully planning and hoping for the day when she can bring her boy into the work of the Christian ministry.—One of our converts will, with the help of God, enter into the ranks of our workers within the coming year. Mr. Samuel Paul Lapidos, a former journalist and teacher of languages in Constantinople, a man of fine scholarly traits, high intellect and sincere piety, is now a student at Mount Airy Seminary.—Is it worth while?

C. General Committee Work.

The Committee sustained a great loss through the death of one of its most valuable members, the Rev. Frank C. Oberly of Washington, Pa. The following resolution was placed on the minutes of the Committee:—

The Jewish Mission Committee of the United Lutheran Church, in semi-annual session at Pittsburgh, July 11, 1922, desires to record its deep sorrow in the death of the Rev. Frank C. Oberly. His piety, earnestness and efficiency have been most marked in the work of this committee. Not only will his service be missed in the work, but his genial good fellowship as a Christian gentleman as well. We commend to the members of the Committee an emulation of his loyalty and faithfulness. We bow to the will of God in prayer, that His comfort and blessing may rest upon his bereaved family.

The officers of the Committee during the past two years were: Rev. Fritz O. Evers, President; Rev. Loyal H. Larimer, D.D., Vice-president; Rev. Arthur C. Carty, Secretary; Mr. Charles J. Fite, Pittsburg, Pa., Treasurer. The Committee held three one day sessions since the last convention.

It is a matter of pride to your committee that this work could be carried on with such signal success during this biennium, in spite of the fact that we were constantly handicapped in financial matters. Our splendid missionary force was willing to make every necessary personal sacrifice, giving their time and strength, and shouldering all the work they could carry. Without envy, they looked upon the expensive and efficient plants of other denominations, the much larger force of workers in every mission, ever trusting that our own United Lutheran Church will come to realize the needs of our own work and will help accordingly. In order not to burden the depleted treasury of the Committee with an additional risk, they have assumed the financial responsibility for the publication of the "Hebrew-Lutheran", a quarterly, published by them in the interest of the work. In every case, they have heartily co-operated in working out the Committee's financial policy, by which only the salaries of the spiritual workers in the mission and the upkeep of the Mission quarters are paid from the Committee treasury. All other expenses are to be paid from funds raised on the territory of the mission through local initiative. In this way, everyone of our missions is growing into the Lutheran consciousness of its community, actively engaging the interest and co-operation of the Lutherans in whose midst and in whose name they carry the glad tidings to God's ancient people. Philadelphia enjoys the magnificent support of the Philadelphia Lutheran Association for Jewish Missions, an auxiliary with a membership close to 2,000. This organization holds title to the mission property and is just now engaged in improving the building at an expense of approximately four thousand dollars. The Philadelphia missionary, through a special campaign this spring, succeeded in raising twenty-five hundred dollars for the relief of the general treasury. Seven hundred dollars were raised by Pastor Legum, and about fifteen hundred dollars in Baltimore, part of which is invested in a building fund. The need for permanent quarters, owned by our own missions, is imperative everywhere, and Baltimore with the enthusiastic support of the Lutherans of the Maryland Synod soon expects to reach the desired goal. The chapel fund for Philadelphia came to an unexpected

happy climax, when one of our faithful Philadelphia laymen, Mr. William P. M. Braun, volunteered to furnish the mission with a chapel-room. This is the first gift of large proportions in the interest of our young Cause and should act as a splendid example to other men who have the love of Christ for His very own people in their hearts. May God reward this friend of Israel, of whom many of Israel's children may say:— "He loveth our nation, and he has built us a synagogue." Other equally interested friends have helped to bring the chapel fund to the amount of thirteen hundred and eighty dollars, which money can now be used in making badly needed improvements in the building. Had it not been for those special gifts, the amount of indebtedness which we have to report at the end of the biennium would be more than twice as large.

The work is growing and its natural growth dare not be checked. Whenever God opens a new door for us, He also gives us the man to do the work there. Efficient Jewish workers are extremely rare. Lutheran communities willing to assume the local responsibilitiy for such work still seem equally rare. When calls and opportunities come to us, as they came in the case of the city of Toledo, we dare not shrink from our duty; but trusting in God's providential guidance and in the missionary interest of our people, we must go ahead.

The contemplated change in the financial operation of the budget of the United Lutheran Church has the full approval of the Jewish Mission Committee. We feel, however, that with our present meagre means and with the growing work on our hands, this Committee will suffer more than any other agency of the Church under the coming change. It was for these reasons that the Jewish Mission Committee at its semi-annual meeting in July 1922 adopted the following resolution:—

> *Resolved,* that the Jewish Mission Committee ask the United Lutheran Church to put the new budget in effect January 1, 1923, the same to continue for a term of three years.

D. Our Relation to other Jewish Mission Agencies.

The Committee is seeking to establish permanent relations to other Lutheran bodies engaged in Jewish Mission work in America for an exchange of thoughts and experiences. A special committee was appointed to bring about such relations with the old established Jewish Mission work in Lutheran countries abroad. Local co-operation with missions of other denominations was recently inaugurated through the formation of the "Philadelphia Conference of Jewish Missionaries." Five different denominations are represented. The distinctive principles of every denomination are safeguarded. The Jewish Mission ideal, of which the United Lutheran Church is the most outspoken exponent, namely, that Jewish Mission work must be the expression of the missionary determination of the organized Christian Church, finds a strong champion in this new organization. Needless to say, that the initiative came from our Lutheran work. The organization of this conference will tend to prevent interferences, misunderstandings

and needless rivalries; while on the other hand, it will present a solid front of witnesses of Jewish Evangelization to Church and Synagogue in the city of Philadelphia.

Another instance of helpful co-operation is found in the selection of Pastor Einspruch of Baltimore, by the American Bible Society, as one of the translators of a revised edition of the New Testament in the Yiddish language.

In conclusion, the Committee feels that it cannot be too emphatic in stating our indebtedness to the ever growing circle of deeply interested friends in our Cause. Prayer circles for the conversion of Israel are being organized. Encouragement in messages and offerings have come from practically all parts of the Church. The Bible School of the Church of the Reformation at Milwaukee, Wis., the Rev. Paul R. Siebert, pastor, has made itself responsible for the support of our student at Mount Airy Seminary. Two of the consecrated laymen in the membership of the Committee, Mr. Chas. J. Fite and Mr. Christian Pflaum, Jr., have willingly underwritten the notes for the amounts we had to borrow at the bank. The work of our faithful treasurer, Mr. Fite, during these trying times, has won special appreciation and commendation from the Committee. We are confident that with such earnest support and such deep-rooted sincere interest throughout the United Lutheran Church, the cause of Jewish Missions is destined to grow in size and strength in accordance with the magnitude of the task which is before us.

Entering upon the new biennium we take heart from the comforting words of the greatest Jewish Missionary of all times, the Apostle Paul: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that *your labor is not in vain in the Lord.*"

Respectfully submitted,

FRITZ O. EVERS, President.
A. C. CARTY, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE COMMITTEE ON JEWISH MISSIONS.

STATEMENTS OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

for the year ended 31st July, 1921.

RECEIPTS.		General Fund	Special Building Fund
United Church		$6,528.00	
United, General and Branch Synods		382.91	
Women's Missionary Society		850.00	
Loans		2,200.00	
Donations, etc.:			
Committee on Jewish Missions, Collections	$474.50		
Rev. John Legum, Collections	210.89		

Rev. H. H. Weber, Easter Service Collection	$100.00		
Church of the Rev. Ernest Denef, Hanover, Can.	40.00		
Zion's German Lutheran Sunday School, Philadelphia	30.00		
Father Heyer Missionary Society	15.00		
		$870.39	
Henry Steuernagel			$100.00
Interest on bank balances		6.01	
		$10,837.31	$100.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of Missionaries, helpers, etc.		$6,987.59	
General Expenses of Missions:			
Rent	$810.00		
Janitors	610.00		
Interest on Mortgages	342.00		
Fuel	40.79		
Electricity	34.18		
Telephone	26.91		
Furniture, Janitors' Supplies, etc.	28.60		
		1,892.48	
Educational and Charitable Expenses of Missions:			
Charity	$173.00		
Literature	67.95		
Student Aid	50.00		
Night and Sewing Schools, etc.	20.08		
		311.03	
Loans Repaid		700.00	
Administrative Traveling Expenses		217.14	
Literature and Publicity Committees' Expenses		170.86	
Stationery and Postage		60.38	
Office Wages and Expenses		38.50	
Interest on Loans		83.13	
		$10,461.11	
Excess of Receipts		$376 20	$100.00

SUMMARY OF CASH ACCOUNT

for the Year ended 31st July, 1921.

Balance, 1st August, 1920		$ 959.87
Receipts, as annexed		10,937.31
		$11,897.18
Disbursements, as annexed		10,461.11
Balance, 31st July, 1921		$1,436.07

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

for the Year Ended July 31, 1922.

Receipts.

		General Fund	Special Fund for Lutheran Hebrew Work in New York City
United Church		$6,784.80	
United, General and Branch Synods		647.14	
Women's Missionary Society		825.00	
Loans		2,300.00	
Donations, etc.:			
Rev. Paul I. Morentz, Collection	$930.67		
Sunday Schools, Luther Leagues, Churches, etc.	305.48		
Ministeriums of New York, Pennsylvania, and adjacent States	423.70		
Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee, for Student Support	250.00		
Father Heyer Missionary Society	25.00		
		1,934.85	
Young Ladies of Saint John's Lutheran Church, New York			$5.00
Interest on Bank Balances		1.15	
		$12,492.94	$5.00

Disbursements.

Salaries of Missionaries, Helpers, etc.		$7.640.00	
General Expenses of Missions:			
Rent	$1,240.00		
Janitors	305.00		
Interest on Mortgages on Philadelphia Mission	705.60		
Gas and Electricity	59.30		
Telephone	26.97		
Furniture, Janitors' Supplies, etc.	16.00		
Moving Household Goods of Rev. John Legum	110.00		
		2,462.87	
Educational and Charitable Expenses of Missions:			
Charity	$218.45		
Literature	104.81		
Student Aid	250.00		
		$573.26	
Loans Repaid		1,300.00	
Administrative Traveling Expenses		479.20	
Advertising		129.67	
Stationery and Postage		40.50	
Auditing		65.00	
Philadelphia Chapel Fund		25.00	

Miscellaneous Work	$ 40.00	
Interest on Loans	190.06	
	$12,945.56	
Excess of Disbursements	$452.62	
Excess of Receipts		$5.00

SUMMARY OF CASH ACCOUNT

for the Year Ended July 31, 1922.

Balance, August 1, 1921		$ 1,436.07
Receipts, as annexed		12,497.94
		$13,934.01
Disbursements, as annexed		12,945.56
Balance, July 31, 1922		$988.45

BALANCE SHEET OF THE GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS

July 31, 1922.

ASSET.

Cash in Bank		$988.45

LIABILITIES AND FUNDS.

Notes Payable to Bank	$3,000.00	
Special Building Fund	109.00	
Special Fund for Lutheran Hebrew work in New York City	5.00	
		3,114.00
General Fund Deficit		$2,125.55

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. J. FITE, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, 30th August, 1922.

We have audited the account of The Committee on Jewish Missions of the United Lutheran Church in America for the two years ended 31st July, 1922, and we certify that the foregoing Balance Sheet, Receipts and Disbursements, etc., are in accordance with the books of account and are correct.

LYBRAND, ROSS BROS. & MONTGOMERY,
Accountants and Auditors.

Dr. Larimer presented the following which was adopted:

We recommend that this Convention refer to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church a request of the Jewish Mission Committee for an adequate appropriation for support of its present missions and of the one contemplated in New York City.

The Report of the Committee was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. F. F. Fry presented the following unanimous report

of the Special Committee to which was referred the matter of the Northwestern Seminary.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NORTHWESTERN SEMINARY

Your Special Committee on Northwestern Seminary, after organizing, invited Representatives of the Synod of the Northwest, and of the Survey Commission, and other members of the Synod of the Northwest present at this Convention, to confer with it. After careful and prayerful consideration of facts offered by all concerned, your Committee submits the following:

After referring to the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America, Article VIII, Section 4, we recognize the constitutional right of a constituent Synod to decide its internal affairs.

The Survey Commission of the United Lutheran Church in America was invited by the President of the Synod of the Northwest to advise and counsel with the Executive Committee of that Synod with respect to the Synod's missionary and educational interests. The Synod thereby voluntarily waived its constitutional right recognized above in so far as advice and counsel, approval or disapproval, are concerned.

At this conference the Commission made its position emphatic against the establishment of a Seminary at Minneapolis for the following reasons:

"As being (1) unnecessary; (2) open to the clear construction of being merely a continuation of the 'Ad Interim' Seminary and as such objectionable to all best considerations; (3) an open affront to other general Lutheran bodies, several of which have Seminaries at or near Minneapolis."

However, purely on the ground of missionary necessity, it was unanimously decided to locate a Seminary not farther east than Fargo, North Dakota. In this decision, at its meeting in June 1921, the Synod of the Northwest unanimously concurred.

Being informed by the Executive Committee of the Synod of the Northwest that it would recommend to its June Convention this year the removal of the Seminary to Minneapolis, the location so emphatically protested by the Commission, a conference was held on May 11, 1922, between the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America and the President of the Synod of the Northwest. After this conference, and on the same date, the Executive Board approved the recommendation of the Survey Commission locating the Seminary "at Fargo, North Dakota, or vicinity;" but, did not deem it wise to take other action on the proposed removal lest the action of Synod might be prejudiced.

Acting under its constitutional right and under the conviction that it was for the best interests of its Seminary, the Synod at its convention a few weeks later, in spite of the expressed opinion of the Executive Board that

the judgment of the Survey Commission was correct, decided to remove the Seminary to Minneapolis.

In the light of all the facts submitted, your Committee recommends:

(1) That the Substitute Motion offered by the Chairman of the delegation of the Synod of the Northwest be not adopted.

(2) That the United Lutheran Church in America approve the action of its Executive Board, Bulletin of this convention, page 18, Section 2, Item 1, Resolution a.

(3) That we recognize that the Synod of the Northwest was acting under its constitutional right in relocating the Seminary, but we deplore the fact that the Synod has seen fit to act contrary to the judgment of the Survey Commission, of the Executive Board and of the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America.

(4) Since the establishment or re-location of an educational institution may affect the interests of a contiguous Synod, or even of the whole body, that in these matters the advice and consent of the United Lutheran Church in America or of its Executive Board and of its Board of Education be secured, in harmony with the Constitution of the Board of Education, Article VIII, Section I.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin F. Fry, Chairman	W. C. Davis
A. L. Benze	J. J. Scherer, Jr.
J. S. Simon	A. H. Kohn
E. A. Tappert	W. L. Glatfelter
Lewis C. Manges	H. C. Hoffman
Luther Kuhlman	Jas. M. Snyder
Samuel Nicholas	E. F. Eilert
	Harry T. Domer

Recommendation 1. Unanimously adopted. (For substitute motion see Minutes of the morning session Wednesday, October 18.)

Recommendations 2, 3 and 4 unanimously adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The session closed with prayer by the Rev. J. J. Scherer.

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Afternoon Session

Wednesday, October 25th, 2:00.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. A. L. Benze.

Acting President Burgess presided.

The Committee of Reference and Counsel submitted the following resolutions indicated as A, B, C, D and E.

A. Resolved, That the Executive Board be instructed to investigate and consider in what ways it might be possible to combine or reorganize the Boards and Committees of our United Lutheran Church so as to make the work of administration more economical, and to report its findings with recommendations to the next Convention.

(Signed) Geo. P. Kabele.

Upon the suggestion of President Knubel the following resolution was passed in connection with the above:

Resolved, That the Executive Board be empowered to effect such mergers wherever satisfactory to the Boards concerned.

B. Resolved, That as an aid to the efficient conduct of elections and to obviate the possibility of some of the errors and inaccuracies with which this Convention has been burdened the following rules be adopted:

Rule I. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and have printed in the Bulletin of each Convention an alphabetical list of the names of

(a) The delegates to the Convention, followed by an abbreviated designation of the Synod he represents;

(b) The names of all persons nominated by the several Boards, followed by an abbreviated designation of the Synod of which he is a member together with the Board of Boards by which he has been nominated.

Rule II. It shall be the duty of the Secretary, or such person or persons whom he may designate to assist him, to supervise the preparation of the ballots and to critically examine the copy and proof for same before they are printed.

Rule III. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to furnish the Tellers' Committee with sufficient printed or typewritten lists of delegates as provided for in Rule I (a), as voting check lists to properly conduct said elections.

Rule IV. It shall be the duty of the Tellers' Committee to append said voting check list to its report when made to the Convention.

Signed: G. F. Greiner.

On motion this resolution and the proposed rules were referred to the Executive Board in connection with an earlier resolution about investigating the whole method of nomination and the procedure of elections.

C. Resolved, (a) that it be the rule of this and all subsequent Conventions of the United Lutheran Church, that each individual, Board, Committee, and other representative that makes a report, resolution or recommendation, that is not printed in the regular Bulletin, but is to be read in

connection with the report in the Bulletin, be required to have four typewritten carbon copies ready at the time said report, resolution, or recommendation is introduced and read to the Convention for the use of the President, Secretary, and Publicity Committee, (b) and that all resolutions and recommendations that come from the floor be written, and in duplicate form, one for the Secretary and the other for the Publicity Committee.

Signed: HOWARD R. GOLD, *Chairman Publicity Committee.*

The above resolution was adopted.

D. Resolved, That we express our sincere appreciation of the co-operation of the Augustana Synod with the United Lutheran Church especially in the support of missionary and university student work.

That we urge the Augustana Synod to strengthen this helpful relationship by an increase of effort in furnishing missionaries and funds for the various interests in which co-operation has been so effective.

The above resolution was adopted.

E. Resolved, That the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church express to the Pastors, Rev. Dr. F. A. Kahler and Rev. Paul Bloomhardt, Council and Congregation of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church of Buffalo, our great appreciation of all the advantages of their magnificent property during the Convention of Synod.

Resolved, That we also express our appreciation of the active co-operation of all the Pastors and Congregations of Buffalo in making our visit pleasant and profitable.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church be authorized to make suitable compensation to such designated persons as may have rendered services to this Convention.

Resolved, That the Convention hereby express its very sincere gratitude,

(1) To the local Committee for the unusually complete arrangements made by it for the convenience and comfort of the Convention.

(2) To the Rev. Dr. Ellis B. Burgess for the efficiency and uniform fairness and courtesy with which he presided over the Convention.

(3) To the Choir which prepared and participated in The Choral Vesper Service.

The resolutions of thanks were adopted by a rising vote. Thereupon President Knubel expressed his thanks and those of the Convention to the Rev. Dr. Burgess for the service which he had so admirably rendered in presiding over the Convention.

The Rev. J. F. Lambert, Recording Secretary of the Committee on Necrology, submitted the following report for the Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

Your Committee on Necrology respectfully reports:

I.

The ministers of the United Lutheran Church who have died since our last report (July 1st, 1920) number eighty-nine (89). We have also noted the death of two (2) students who are preparing for the ministry; and of twenty-one (21) other laymen whose activities were of special significance for the life and work of the Church in its larger operations.

A list of these names here follows, the date of birth and of death is given; and in the case of the ministers also that of ordination.

Names of Deceased Ministers.

Names	Born	Ordained	Died
John Ulrich Asper	Nov. 21, 1849	1881	June 9, 1921
Isaac Newton Augustine	Feb. 9, 1833	1863	July 2, 1921
Paul Bard	Aug. 2, 1854	1889	Jan. 19, 1922
David H. Bauslin	Jan. 21, 1853	1878	Mar. 3, 1922
James Ludwig Becker	June 1, 1849	1877	Feb. 26, 1922
Zacchaeus Wright Bedenbaugh	Oct. 15, 1846	1874	Jan. 17, 1921
O. E. Bregenzer		1904	Sept. 1920
Franklin K. Bernd	Mar. 16, 1850	1883	May 2, 1921
M. Bode			1922
Milton E. Bollinger	June 25, 1862	1893	July 24, 1921
Cornelius Prisleau Boozer	Oct. 18, 1845	1872	Jan. 24, 1921
Charles Lafayette Brown	Dec. 3, 1874	1898	Dec. 5, 1921
Clarence K. Binder	Mar. 8, 1849	1883	May 26, 1921
Charles Edward Buschman	Apr. 1, 1879	1903	Nov. 25, 1921
James Albert Cromer	Aug. 18, 1847	1878	Jan. 1, 1922
Patrick Henry Elmore Derrick	Nov. 20, 1856	1889	Oct. 1, 1920
Samuel A. Diehl	Nov. 13, 1847	1875	May 10, 1922
William Henry Dolbeer	Mar. 6, 1854	1877	July 26, 1920
William Henry Dunbar	Jan. 25, 1852	1874	Dec. 24, 1920
George W. Enders	Oct. 26, 1841	1869	Nov. 9, 1921
Reinhold Emmanuel Michael Engers	Sept. 29, 1863	1888	Sept. 26, 1920
William Franklin Eyster	Jan. 26, 1822	1841	June 18, 1921
Cyrus Lemuel Fleck	Jan. 12, 1855	1887	Sept. 16, 1921
Johannes Flierl	Apr. 22, 1854	1883	Jan. 20, 1921
David Bittle Floyd	Mar. 15, 1846	1876	Jan. 23, 1922
Samuel A. K. Francis	Apr. 14, 1837	1864	Mar. 22, 1921
William H. Gotwald	Sept. 3, 1841	1867 (?)	Mar. 12, 1921
John Brough Grove	July 30, 1858	1898	Dec. 30, 1921
Charles Baker Gruver	Mar. 23, 1846	1876	Apr. 21, 1921
Carl M. Guldenapfel	July 17, 1856		Nov. 28, 1921
Andrew Sylvester Hain	Mar. 3, 1869	1896	June 11, 1922
Jurgen August Hansen	Mar. 25, 1867	1893	Oct. 6, 1920
H. H. Hanson		1881	1909 Nov. 19, 1920
Edmund Frantz Albert Hantel	Oct. 25, 1837	1875	Mar. 5, 1922
Charles Elvin Haupt	Oct. 5, 1850	1875	Oct. 14, 1920
Charles Girvin Heckert	Mar. 3, 1863	1889	Dec. 7, 1920
Henry Heiner	Jan. 6, 1855	1879	Jan. 7, 1921
Frederich P. Henninghausen	July 27, 1839	1861	Apr. 10, 1922
Samuel Edward Herring	Jan. 22, 1840	1864	Apr. 20, 1922

Names	Born	Ordained	Died
Conrad Huber	Oct. 22, 1851	1876	June 30, 1922
John H. Houseman	Jan. 9, 1842	1873	Jan. 19, 1922
Frank K. Huntzinger	Jan. 18, 1844	1869	May 2, 1921
Johannes Huppenbauer	Oct. 11, 1852	1878	Mar. 9, 1922
Benjamin Franklin Kautz	Jan. 8, 1851	1880	Apr. 10, 1921
William Rufus Ketchie	Feb. 18, 1836	1871	Apr. 7, 1921
Lloyd H. W. Kline	July 12, 1862	1894	July 9, 1921
George Wesley Livers	Feb. 6, 1875	1900	Aug. 24, 1921
Rudolph Ernest Lucas	Oct. 10, 1866	1894	May 31, 1921
Eli Lott Lybrand	June 22, 1852	1888	Jan. 21, 1922
Helwig Ludwig McMurry	Feb. 18, 1850	1877	Jan. 8, 1922
Herbert Martens	Dec. 12, 1857	1892	Sept. 18, 1921
Adam Martin	Aug. 9, 1835	1860	May 18, 1921
George Washington Mechling	July 15, 1836	1859	Oct. 23, 1921
David William Michael	Dec. 18, 1857	1887	Dec. 12, 1921
I. J. Miller	Feb. 22, 1850	1876	Mar. 12, 1922
Victor Miller	Oct. 24, 1834	1862	Feb. 8, 1922
Waldo Emerson Murray	Nov. 26, 1862	1892	Jan. 22, 1922
Hobart Moody Nicholson	May 1, 1876	1904	Oct. 28, 1920
Frank C. Oberly	Mar. 14, 1869	1892	Mar. 22, 1922
C. H. Overmann	June 4, 1866	1888	June 24, 1922
Samuel Palmer	May 17, 1843	1874	July 30, 1921
James Clare Neff Park	Aug. 19, 1860	1889	Oct. 24, 1921
Joseph Rechsteiner	Feb. 9, 1853	1879	May 9, 1922
Milton U. Reinhard	Aug. 12, 1876	1899	Nov. 13, 1920
William Rosenstengel	Dec. 25, 1846	1880	Oct. 23, 1921
John D. Roth	Nov. 24, 1841	1870	Mar. 23, 1922
Albert F. Siebert	Oct. 18, 1848	1873	May 26, 1922
H. L. Straub	June 12, 1875	1903	June 14, 1922
Jonathan Sarver	Nov. 2, 1837	1864	Jan. 24, 1922
William C. Schaeffer	July 14, 1843	1869	July 21, 1921
Augustus Schultes	Apr. 10, 1844		Mar. 25, 1920
William A. Snyder	Dec. 31, 1870	1897	July 13, 1921
D. A. Sox	Oct. 14, 1856	1884	Jan. 7, 1922
Josephus F. Sponseller	Apr. 27, 1847		Sept. 16, 1921
Friederich Spriegel	June 27, 1849	1880	Feb. 13, 1921
Samuel S. Stauffer	Nov. 17, 1842		Mar. 13, 1922
Vastine R. Stickley	Apr. 17, 1850	1875	Apr. 3, 1921
Adam Stump	July 7, 1854	1881	Mar. 18, 1922
John E. Switzer	Jan. 7, 1832	1855	Sept. 15, 1921
R. B. Tarrant	Oct. 10, 1836	1863	Dec. 21, 1921
Simon T. Traubel	June 13, 1860	1891	Apr. 1, 1921
Samuel Wagenhals	Jan. 17, 1843	1862	Dec. 10, 1920
Asher W. Walter	June 5, 1859	1881	Apr. 17, 1922
Benjamin G. Welder	Sept. 8, 1851	1886	May 2, 1921
Franklin E. Whitmore	Feb. 11, 1868	1893	Feb. 1, 1922
Charles A. Wilson	Dec. 22, 1866	1894	Jan. 14, 1921
Harry L. Yarger	Feb. 22, 1862	1886	Jan. 13, 1921
John W. Young	June 26, 1837	1876	Oct. 24, 1921
Simon P. Fryberger.			

Names of Deceased Laymen.

Herbert H. Kohls	Feb. 1, 1892	Student	May 3, 1921
Herbert Miller Linn	Sept. 8, 1898	Student	June 6, 1922
Virginia M. Boyer			May 21, 1922
Henry E. Bonitz	Apr. 16, 1872		Mar. 27, 1921

Names	Born	Died
J. Edward Cooper	Feb. 17, 1853	Mar. 26, 1922
Mary J. Diehl	Jan. 3, 1843	July 1, 1921
Wilhelmina Dittman	Aug. 29, 1849	Jan. 25, 1922
Jacob D. Eberly	Apr. 12, 1853	Feb. 4, 1922
Emma A. Ehrhart	May 10, 1866	Oct. 19, 1920
Peter S. Grosscup	Feb. 15, 1852	Sept. 30, 1921
Melvin W. Harroway	Apr. 24, 1850	Mar. 21, 1921
Milton C. Henninger	Apr. 22, 1851	Sept. 25, 1921
John Hubner	Dec. 26, 1840	Sept. 8, 1920
Absalom Koiner	Aug. 5, 1824	Dec. 31, 1920
Ambrose A. Kunkle	Oct. 2, 1877	Sept. 15, 1920
Henry W. McAfee	June 20, 1857	May 7, 1922
James N. Mohr	Sept. 10, 1844	Feb. 15, 1921
W. Frederick Monroe	Sept. 18, 1851	Mar. 5, 1921
John A. Prigge	Apr. 23, 1845	Jan. ?, 1922
Ferdinand Reiber	June 19, 1847	Aug. 20, 1921
Julius A. Bohn.		
Nathaniel C. Fritz.		
Charles Schimmelfeng.		

We have gathered through the Corresponding Members of the Committee, and all other sources available to us, the data called for in the form approved at the last convention, prepared it for deposit in the archives, and submit it herewith.

We have used all diligence, yet have not been able to make each of these biographical records fully complete. We regret that some of those to whom we looked for information failed to furnish all the data called for on the blanks sent out by our Corresponding Secretary. In some instances, we failed to receive any reply whatever to special letters of inquiry addressed to persons in non-official relation to our committee but who, from their personal relation to the deceased, should have been able to have rendered assistance. In others, however, our inquiries were responded to with promptness and accuracy. The assistance rendered by these correspondents has been very highly appreciated.

Your committee has prepared, largely on the basis of official action, an estimate of the life and work of each of the deceased, which is incorporated in the biographical records. We have endeavored to express the Church's appreciation of the great among our brethren and, no less, her appreciation of the work of those whose consecrated lives were spent in lowly spheres.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved: That we, the representatives of the entire United Lutheran Church, humbly acknowledge the goodness and mercy of our Heavenly Father, who through our ascended Lord Jesus Christ, by the manifestation of the power of the Holy Spirit, has given to His Church those, His Servants, who have entered into their rest during the years past. We give thanks for the life and work of those, who were enabled to be leaders among us and to serve their Lord in spheres of wider influence, as teachers of teachers, as missionaries at home and abroad, as pastors and preachers of exceptional influence and power, as directors of the Church's ministry of mercy, by their wisdom in counsel and by their gifts for the furtherance

of the Gospel; and as truly do we give thanks for the life and work of those who, in lowly spheres, preached the Word and administered the Holy Sacraments to the salvation of many precious souls, the support of the weak, the comfort of the sorrowing and the edification of the Church of our Risen Lord.

II.

Your committee held two meetings, one in Christ Church, Allentown, Pa., December 15th, 1920, and the other at Atlantic City, N. J., July 5th and 6th, 1922.

At the latter meeting, we had before us the records of 83 ministers and 16 prominent laymen representing twenty-three Synods. Each of these provisionally prepared records was examined by the committee and, where possible, perfected. Since that meeting, some delayed records have been received and by authority of the committee incorporated in our report.

Copies of their minutes were received from thirty-three Synods; of these twenty-eight were issued of 1920 and five issues of 1921. It is evident that they reach your committee too late to be of value to us. For this reason, we request that the sending of the minutes to us be discontinued.

The committee desires to publicly express its appreciation of the assistance rendered by its corresponding members, the necrologists of the several Synods.

We request an appropriation of $300.00 for the coming biennium.

By authority of the Committee,

Jos. H. Orr, *Chairman*,
J. F. Lambert, *Rec. Sec.*

On motion it was ordered that the following names be added to the list of laymen: Charles Schimmelfeng, Simon P. Fryberger, Julius A. Bohn, Nathaniel C. Fritz. The resolution was adopted by a rising vote and the Convention was led in prayer by the Rev. C. J. Cooper. The Report was adopted as a whole.

The following was adopted:

So as to make the memoirs of deceased ministers authentic and more accurate I beg to present the following resolutions which, through correspondence, my associates in the Necrology Committee have approved.

Resolved, (1) That the Committee on Necrology be authorized to transmit, through the Presidents of Synods, to every minister in the United Lutheran Church a revised questionnaire to solicit an autobiographic family and school record, together with date of graduation from college and the ordination of each man.

(2) That said questionnaires, properly filled out, be mailed by each minister to the Secretary of this Committee on or before February 1, 1923,

(3) That our Secretary be commissioned to deposit these records in the archives of the Church until such time as the Necrology Committee may

withdraw those of the ministers who have died for incorporation in their memoirs.

(4) That the Synods be asked to cause men who are about to be ordained, and others who may be received into the ministry in our Church, to fill out similar questionnaires and forward them to our Secretary.

(5) That our Committee be authorized to furnish Necrology Committees of Synods with revised and condensed forms for collecting data of deceased ministers, and a blank suitable for memoirs of deceased prominent laymen of the Church.

Signed for the Committee:

JAMES F. LAMBERT.

The Report of the Committee on Church Architecture was presented by the Rev. L. D. Reed, Secretary of the Committee, and the report was adopted as here follows.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH ARCHITECTURE

A large number of plans for churches and other buildings has been considered by the committee, and in addition a considerable correspondence with pastors and others has been conducted by the Chairman and the Secretary.

The committee held seventeen meetings, all but two being in Professor Laird's office at the University of Pennsylvania. At the first meeting of the Biennium Dr. Ohl was elected Chairman and Dr. Reed Secretary.

REVIEW OF PLANS.

The following items were acted upon:

Plans for St. John's Church, Ocean City, Mr. George C. Baum, architect, were approved in general, with certain suggestions looking toward simplification in design and the use of material.

Working drawings for St. Paul's Church, Pitcairn, Pa., submitted by the Board of Missions, were considered and the advice given that an associate architect be secured in the interest of improving details of design.

Preliminary plans for St. James' Church, Marinette, Wis., the Rev. W. P. Gerberding, pastor; Brust & Philipp, Milwaukee, Wis., architects, were approved, with suggestions to restudy the stairways, a possible reduction in the height of the aisles, certain chancel details, etc. Complete working drawings were later heartily approved, the committee congratulating the congregation upon the excellence of design and detail, but cautioning them in the matter of estimated expense.

Working plans for St. Barnabas' Church, Charleston, S. C., David B. Hyer, architect, were considered and suggestions made with reference to a different proportion in the building, chancel details, a restudy of window tracery, etc.

Plans for a proposed chapel for Christ Lutheran Community Church, Bywood, Philadelphia, Pa., were not approved because prepared without competent architectural advice and altogether deficient in practical features of arrangement as well as in architectural merit.

Plans for Bethel Church, Trenton, N. J., prepared by Mr. George C. Baum, architect, presented by the Rev. J. W. Gentzler, pastor, were approved with minor suggestions concerning choir and chancel arrangements.

Plans for Christ Church, Birmingham, Ala.; the Rev. W. E. Kline, Jr., pastor; Mr. S. B. Burnham, architect, were approved with important suggestions concerning chancel details.

Plans for a church building and block plans for a church plant at Everett, Wash., the Rev. W. F. Holl, pastor; Bebb & Gould, architects, were approved, with the suggestion that chancel details be restudied. Revised plans were subsequently approved, with various suggestions which it was left to the local Building Committee and the architect finally to determine.

Letters and photographs from the Rev. R. Homer Anderson, of Strasburg, Va., concerning alterations and additions to the present church building were considered and suggestions forwarded to the pastor.

Sketches for the Church of Peace, Rochester, N. Y., the Rev. R. F. Krauch, pastor, were considered and were not approved, the committee suggesting the employment of a competent architect.

Plans for a parish building for St. Matthew's Church, Wauwatosa, Wis., submitted by the Rev. W. P. Stump, Field Missionary, were considered and approved in general, with suggestions concerning details.

Alternate floor plans for the College Church, Salem, Va., O. M. Topp, Pittsburgh, architect, were laid before the committee by Professor D. R. Carpenter, of Roanoke College, and the judgment of the committee was expressed with reference to the merits of the several plans.

Plans for Trinity Church, St. Petersburg, Fla., the Rev. W. E. Pugh, pastor, submitted by the Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Superintendent, were not approved, the committee suggesting that the plan be restudied by a competent church architect.

A sketch of the floor plan for the remodeled St. John's Church, Sterling, Ill., the Rev. E. C. Harris, D.D., pastor, were considered and approved with minor suggestions.

The names of several capable architects located in the vicinity of Fresno, Cal., were supplied to the Rev. E. A. Trabert, of Berkeley, Cal.

Plans for the church at Baden, Pa., the Rev. F. F. Haworth, pastor and architect, were considered. The general design was approved, but various suggestions were made which were later incorporated in the design.

Plans for Augsburg Church, West Toledo, Ohio, the Rev. F. E. Strobel, pastor; Spier & Gehrke, architects, were considered but not approved because of deficiency in design. Revised plans were subsequently approved by the committee with several additional suggestions.

Plans for Gethsemane Church, Indianapolis, Ind., the Rev. W. C. Don-

aldson, pastor; Charles E. Bacon, architect, were considered and suggestions made looking to the elimination of the tower, etc., in the interest of simplicity and economy.

Plans for alterations to Christ Church, Elizabethtown, Pa., the Rev. Frank Croman, pastor; Malvern R. Evans, Lancaster, Pa., architect, were approved in general with suggestions concerning chancel details.

A single drawing of the complete development plan for Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio, the Rev. Rees E. Tulloss, Ph.D., President, were considered. The committee congratulated the college upon its preparation of such a development plan but declared the impossibility of its passing upon the merits of this particular plan upon the basis of material submitted and in the absence of an architectural program. The committee expressed the hope that the college would secure the ablest possible architectural service in the further study of its extensive and important project.

Plans for St. John's Church, Statesville, N. C., Louis H. Asbury, architect, were approved with suggestions concerning chancel and choir detail, tower design, etc.

Plans for the mission in Washington Park, Milwaukee, Wis., the Rev. Jerome C. Jackson, pastor; H. C. Haeuser, architect, were approved in general with various suggestions.

Plans for St. Peter's Church, Harrisburg, Pa., J. A. Dempwolf, York, Pa., architect, were approved as presenting unusual and interesting features. Several minor suggestions were made.

Plans submitted through the Superintendent of Home Missions for Christ Church, Ridgefield, N. J., were not approved.

Plans for extension to the basement and completion of the building of the Church of the Mediator, Philadelphia, the Rev. A. Sumons, pastor; J. Horace Frank, architect, were approved, with the suggestion that it would be to the advantage of the building if an additional bay window could be built, and with other suggestions concerning location of choir and design of the facade.

Plans for St. Paul's Church, Warren, Ohio, the Rev. C. K. Spiggle, pastor; Robert J. Keich, architect, were approved with suggestions concerning proportions in the building and treatment of the front, as well as the necessity of careful study of chancel and choir arrangements.

Plans for a new church building and modifications of existing building for the Church of the Holy Spirit, Reading, Pa., the Rev. C. G. Beck, pastor; Ritcher & Eiler, architects, presented by Pastor Beck and Mr. Frederick, were cordially approved with a few minor suggestions.

Plans for alterations in present building and new edifice for Christ Church, Chicago, the Rev. G. P. Lottich, pastor; Ivar Viehe, Naess & Co., architects, were considered. Various suggestions were made concerning chancel arrangement, location of organ and organ console, and certain features in the general design of the building.

Plans for St. John's German Church, Oakland, Cal., submitted through

Superintendent Dr. Seibert, were considered and various modifications in design and detail were suggested.

Sketches for Holy Trinity Church, West Side, Wilkesbarre, Pa., the Rev. Elwood Schwenk, pastor; J. C. Fulton, architect, were considered. Suggestions were made concerning chancel and choir, the design of the exterior of the building, etc., as well as changes in the parsonage plans.

An elevation of the proposed building for the congregation at Baga, Porto Rico, the Rev. I. W. Lindke, pastor; Antonin Nichcodoma, architect, was considered and various suggestions were made.

Plans for St. John's Church, Richmond Hill, L. I., the Rev. F. A. Bowers, pastor; C. A. Sondblom, architect, were presented by Mr. Bowers and the committee commended the plan as admirable, cautioning the congregation, however, that the estimate of cost, $100,000, is likely to be materially exceeded.

Plans for All Saints' Church, Baltimore, Md., the Rev. J. B. Lau, pastor, were considered and were found defective, as not in agreement with each other, possessing faults which make them unsuitable as part of a contract, and as having been prepared without an understanding of correct church planning. The committee suggested that the congregation secure a competent church architect, and later, upon request, furnished the names of several competent architects in Baltimore.

Plans for St. Simeon's Church, Philadelphia, the Rev. W. H. C. Lauer, pastor; Frank R. Watson, architect, were considered and cordially approved, the congregation being congratulated upon the excellence of the plans, which will secure a churchly effect and individuality at a minimum cost.

Plans for Epiphany Church, Raspeburg, Baltimore, Md., the Rev. F. A. Hightman, pastor; Clyde N. Fritz and Nelson Fritz, architects, were considered and various suggestions concerning connection of the several buildings, tower design, entrances, chancel details, etc., were made. Revised plans, personally presented, were later approved, with additional suggestions.

Plans for Trinity Memorial Church, Mountainville, Pa., the Rev. J. W. Koch, pastor; Ritcher & Eiler, architects, were approved with suggestions concerning chancel and choir arrangements, ceiling construction and design of tower.

The Rev. W. J. Kratz, pastor of St. Luke's Church, Youngstown, Ohio, and R. A. Zenk, architect, personally laid preliminary plans for a new church before the committee with the request for counsel in certain aspects of their problem. The committee made various suggestions involving a rearrangement of the several units in the plan and a modification of the front elevation, etc., as well as chancel details.

Plans and perspective for proposed alterations to Trinity Church, Butler, Pa., H. H. Steffler, Pittsburgh, Pa., architect, were considered and suggestions made concerning chancel details, choir and organ arrangement and roof construction.

Plans for a proposed church for St. Andrew's Church, Carnegie, Pa., the Rev. M. H. Messner, pastor, submitted through the Board of Missions, were not approved, being obviously prepared by someone without architectural training or qualification and being from every point of view unsuitable and impossible. The congregation was advised to secure a competent church architect and not to attempt building under such direction.

Plans for the Church of the Incarnation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Mr. H. C. Haeuser, architect, were cordially approved with certain suggestions concerning arrangements for choir and organ.

Plans for the Norwood Park Church, Chicago, Ill., were considered and a number of suggestions concerning design, treatment of the roof, and details of arrangement were made.

Plans for a Church for Iowa Falls, Ia., were not approved, as being entirely deficient, not only in churchly requirements, but in architectural character.

A preliminary sketch for Christ Church, Fairview, Camden, N. J., Mr. George C. Baum architect, was considered and approved.

Forty-three sets of plans were thus examined and reported upon by the committee.

Conferences and Correspondence.

The Secretary personally conferred with the pastors and Building Committees of St. Mark's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.; the Church of the Holy Spirit, Reading, Pa.; St. Simeon's Church, Philadelphia, and with G. W. Stickle, architect of St. Matthew's Church, Erie, Pa.

Extensive correspondence was conducted by the officers of the committee, the Chairman reporting letters from twenty-seven pastors and others in twelve different States and the Secretary letters from forty pastors and others in twenty-one States.

Pastors and Building Committees in twenty-nine States and one of the Provinces of Canada have thus sought and secured the counsel of the committee during the biennium.

Publications.

The committee published in attractive form several circulars on "The Selection of an Architect," "A Building Program for Missions" and "A Method of Procedure for Mission Congregations." Also two pamphlets, "Practical Suggestions for Pastors and Building Committees" and "Church Principles in Church Architecture," prepared by the Secretary. These have been sent free of charge wherever requested, and have been used in the practical courses in church architecture in several Theological Seminaries. The pamphlets have received favorable comment in the Church press and have called forth letters of inquiry from other denominations.

In response to numerous requests the committee also published a declaration on "The Location of Choir and Organ."

Work has progressed upon the preparation of three typical plans for mission congregations, but these have not yet been completed.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

All indications point to the fact that the Church is on the threshold of a great building program. Millions will be expended within the next few years in the erection of church buildings, parish houses and parsonages, and the influence of these edifices, not only upon the inner development of many congregations and the churchly appreciations of their members, but also upon the progress which these congregations shall be able to make in their respective communities will be incalculable. It is important that the money to be expended be wisely and economically spent. It is even more important that the buildings to be erected possess architectural merit and churchly character, without which the influence of the congregations and of the Church as a whole will be impaired. Your committee believes that the full significance of these facts and the necessity for constantly increasing the standards in this department of our church life are not generally appreciated. It therefore recommends:

1. That the United Lutheran Church direct the attention of all congregations contemplating building to the importance of securing at the outset the ablest architectural service possible and of securing in every edifice not only comfort, convenience and good workmanship, but the distinctive qualities of design and arrangement which should characterize the architecture of the Church; and that all congregations be urged to seek the counsel and advice of the Committee on Church Architecture in matters pertaining to building.

2. That all mission congregations receiving aid be reminded of the action of the United Lutheran Church (Minutes, 1920, p. 477) which requires them before undertaking any work of erection or extensive alteration to seek the advice and counsel of the Committee on Church Architecture through the District Superintendent of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Respectfully submitted,
J. F. OHL, *Chairman.*
LUTHER D. REED, *Secretary.*

Tellers' Committee No. 5 reported and the following elections were declared.

National Lutheran Home for the Aged
E. W. Peery, M.D.

Committee on Jewish Missions
For Term Expiring 1928
Rev. J. J. Myers

Parish and Church School Board

For Term Expiring 1928

Rev. F. M. Urich

Board of Education

For Term Expiring 1928

Mr. Emil Hokanson

The Committee on Linguistic Interests reported as follows.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LINGUISTIC INTERESTS

The Committee on Linguistic Interests organized with Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling as chairman and Rev. Henry Offermann, D.D., as secretary. Several meetings were held. The committee decided to hold the second general conference of the German pastors of the United Lutheran Church at Buffalo, New York. There the Conference met in St. John's Lutheran Church, the Rev. Oskar Krauch, pastor, on October 19 and 20, 1921. At the opening service the Rev. Ernst Ortlepp, D.D., preached the sermon and the sacrament of Holy Communion was celebrated. Over 150 pastors and delegates from all parts of the Church were present. Rev. E. C. J. Kraeling was elected president, Rev. G. H. Michelmann, vice president, Rev. Fr. Werhahn, secretary, and Mr. A. Bendel, treasurer.

The president of the United Lutheran Church, the Rev. F. H. Knubel, D.D., was present and addressed the Conference. Rev. J. A. Morehead, D.D., presented the appeal of the National Lutheran Council for European Relief.

The Conference proved a harmonious and most instructive gathering. Three special linguistic spheres: Ministerial education for the German-English ministry; German Home Missions under the auspices of the Board of Northwestern Missions; publication of a united German Church paper—were thoroughly discussed and action taken as follows:

A. Educational Interests.

1. The Conference has heard with great satisfaction that the institutions of Wagner College and the Waterloo Seminary still lay special emphasis upon the teaching of the German language in preparing men for the ministry.

2. The Conference assures the College at Saskatoon, Sask., of our sincere interest and pledge the solid support of our congregations to this young institution of the Church. To this end it is recommended that all our congregations gather special offerings for the Saskatoon College.

3. The Conference desires to engage the interest of all parts of the Church in the work of the Martin Luther Seminary at Lincoln, Nebr.

4. The Conference rejoices over the report of Dr. Gotwald concerning the work of the Seminary abroad at Kropp and Breklum and heartily approves the work of the Board of Education in bringing about a merger

of these two institutions. The Conference also assures the leaders of the Kropp-Breklum Seminary of our brotherly sympathy and gives expression to our joy over the great progress in their work and pledges to them, especially in these trying times, our prayers and our support.

B. Missionary Interests.

1. The Conference has heard with great pleasure the several reports of the District Superintendents of the work of the Board of Northwestern Missions. It is apparent that the unification of this work under one central agency of the Church will prove of greatest benefit to the widely scattered mission field as well as to the United Lutheran Church.

2. The Conference recommends the work of the Seamen's Mission at New York and Philadelphia and that of Immigrant Missions to the benevolence of our congregations.

C. Publication Interests.

I. *The Official German Church Paper.*

1. The editorship of a united church paper representing all German interests within the United Lutheran Church shall remain in German hands and is to be conducted upon the basis of a sound and strictly conservative Lutheranism.

2. The Board of Publication of the United Lutheran Church shall publish the paper.

3. The Board of Publication shall not be authorized to discontinue the publication of the German church paper without previously obtaining the consent of the interested Synods and Conferences and the approval of the United Lutheran Church.

4. The Editor-in-chief shall be nominated by the German General Conference. It is expected that the Church Paper Committee will endorse the nomination.

5. The Board of Publication shall provide for the salary of the Editor-in-chief in such a manner that his entire time and strength can be devoted to the paper.

6. The Conference shall also nominate the Managing Editor.

7. There shall be an Editorial Committee, the members of which shall be appointed by the Editor-in-chief, in conjunction with the presidents of the interested Synods and Conferences.

8. In view of the fact that the Lutheran Literary Board of Burlington, Iowa, the property of the Wartburg and Nebraska Synods, will lose its foremost advertising agency through the cessation of the *Lutherische Zionsbote* sufficient advertising space shall be granted to the Lutheran Literary Board, free of charge.

9. The paper shall appear weekly; if possible, it shall have 16 pages; the subscription price is to be $1.50.

10. The name of the paper shall be *Lutherischer Herold.*

11. The Conference desires to voice our deep appreciation of the willing-

ness of the Wartburg and Nebraska Synods to surrender their "Zionsbote" in the interest of the united German weekly of the United Lutheran Church.

12. The Conference wishes to extend our thanks to all the men, who heretofore have worked so faithfully for the *Deutsche Lutheraner* and the *Lutherische Zionsbote.*

13. The Conference remembers with special gratitude the services of the two chief editors of these papers, Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, D.D., and Rev. W. Rosenstengel, D.D., and extends to both in their present illness the assurance of our sympathy and of our sincere prayer that the Lord may soon restore them to health and again permit them to use their pens in the interest of His Kingdom.

14. The Conference by unanimous vote nominated the Rev. Ernst Ortlepp, D.D., of Greenville, Ohio, for the position of Editor-in-chief of the united paper.

II. *A German Agende.*

1. In order to unify the order of service and the forms for ministerial acts throughout the German circles of the United Lutheran Church a committee on a German Agende shall be appointed.

2. Another Committee on uniform Sunday School literature in the German language shall be appointed.

These resolutions were received by the Committee on Linguistic Interests at a meeting held at Brooklyn, N. Y., November 28, 1921, and were approved. The action regarding the merger of the two German church papers was reported to the Church Paper Committee and the Board of Publication with the endorsement of this committee. The action regarding the Agende was reported in like manner to the Common Service Book Committee and the committee appointed. The action regarding Sunday School literature was reported to the Church and Parish School Board and the committee appointed.

Respectfully submitted,
F. O. Evers,
For the Committee.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Archivist's Report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVIST

The Archivist respectfully reports receipt during the past biennium of the following material:

Protocol of the first and second Conventions of the United Lutheran Church.

Protocol of the 1920 Conventions of the General Synod, General Council and the United Synod in the South.

Selected correspondence of the President of the United Lutheran Church.

Selected correspondence of the Secretary.

Original documents and notes concerning the work of the Executive Board.

A sealed package of material concerning the Chicago Seminary.

Necrological records, 1918-20, received from the Rev. J. F. Lambert.

Anniversary histories, souvenirs, etc., of St. John's Church, Sterling, Ill. Calvary Church, Baltimore, and the First Lutheran Sunday School, Selinsgrove, Pa.

Genesis of the Chirala Station, Guntur, India.

Minutes of the Pittsburgh Synod, 1922, and of the Pacific Synod, 1922.

The Kansas Synod Lutheran as issued.

This material is being prepared for permanent preservation in the Krauth Memorial Library at the Seminary in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia.

LUTHER D. REED,
Archivist.

Deferred items of the Executive Board's Report were taken up.

I, F, 2, item 2, (d). Part 1 concerning conclusions a, b, c, d and e adopted. Part 2 concerning the Committee and the conditions governing its work adopted.

Report of Committee on Pacific Seminary

The Special Committee of Twelve on the Pacific Seminary reported as follows:

Your Committee appointed to consider such matters relating to the Pacific Theological Seminary as are reviewed on pages 13-17 of the Bulletin reports as follows:

We have made a careful investigation of all related facts as are contained in the Bulletin and have also called into consultation such interested parties as could be found in this Convention.

1. We desire to call attention to the fact that in projecting the plans for the locating of the Theological Seminary in Seattle, the sanction of the United Lutheran Church was officially given in the New York and Washington Convention Reports and that both the Pacific Synod and the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary were within their rights in the work thus far attempted.

2. We desire to give expression to the high regard in which we hold the splendid heroism and self-sacrifice manifested by the Pacific Synod, the Board of Directors and the faculty. Their devotion has been worthy of the highest traditions of our Church.

3. Upon due consideration of all the facts submitted to us, we are led to believe that the presentation given by our Commission, pages 13-17 in the official Bulletin of this Convention, is substantially a correct statement of the essential facts in the matter.

4. Your Committee unanimously concurs in the conclusion therein set forth, especially in two particulars:

(a) There should be but one seminary of the United Lutheran Church on the Pacific Coast.

(b) That the interests of the United Lutheran Church will be best served by locating the Seminary at or in the vicinity of Berkeley, California.

5. We recognize the constitutional rights of the Pacific Synod and do not, in any way, desire to infringe on those rights. We feel, however, that when the Church as a whole is asked to finance almost the entire project in question, it is only just and fair that the expressed judgments of the Church should be given most careful consideration.

Signed:

JOHN WEIDLEY, *Chairman.*
HENRY W. A. HANSON, *Secretary.*

The Report was considered seriatim. Item 4, a and b, adopted. The Report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Rev. F. W. Bussard it was ordered that the statement of the Pacific Synod be incorporated in the Minutes in connection with the above report. The statement here follows.

Statement of Pacific Synod's Position in Regard to the Conclusions and Recommendations of the Commission of Survey

(Unanimously adopted at Tacoma, January 20, 1922)

In view of the conclusions and recommendations of the Survey Commission of the United Lutheran Church in America and of the report of the Synod's Committee on Conference with the said Commission, the Executive Committee recommends the adoption of the following:

STATEMENT OF THE SYNOD'S POSITION

The Pacific Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, zealous for the prosperity and progress of the United Lutheran Church in America, entirely loyal to the interests of that Church, and conscious of the solemn obligations which fidelity to those interests impose upon her, believing that such interests and prosperity would be seriously imperiled and impaired by the ultimate adoption of certain conclusions contained in the Report of the Survey Commission of the United Lutheran Church, very respectfully presents unto the said Church the following considerations:

I. IN GRATEFUL RECOGNITION.

1. The Pacific Synod notes with gratitude the recommendation of the Survey Commission that the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension be urged to arrange for the cancellation of the loan made to the Pacific Theological Seminary by the General Council's Church Extension Society, and the adoption thereof by the Executive Board of the Church.

2. The Synod furthermore takes grateful recognition of the support given by the Commission to the early appointment of a Western District General Superintendent of Missions.

II. On General Observations.

1. The Pacific Synod is in hearty accord with the general conclusion of the Commission that much of the initiative must be local and that the Synods and congregations upon the field must themselves be characterized by due industry and determination. We humbly believe that the record of this body's endeavor to found and build up for the Church a theological seminary on the West Coast will sustain the plea that, despite all derelictions, our people have not been unduly lacking in the qualities mentioned. And we beg respectfully, therefore, to call attention to the fact that the specific conclusions of the Commission, if ultimately adopted, would in reality penalize us for such initiative, industry and determination as may have been developed and exercised. We plead, moreover, that the enlistment of the whole-hearted endeavor of the entire Church was preeminently what, with the support of the General Council, we sought and were given assurance of in the First Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

2. The Pacific Synod firmly believes in the essential likeness of Lutheranism in all sections of our land. We believe, moreover, that such likeness, in fidelity and loyalty to the faith, does not contravene, but does rather justify, a rightful orderly measure of self-determination in the working out of problems peculiar to, or specifically affecting, a given section.

3. In view of the likeness of Lutheranism mentioned, the Pacific Synod feels that it would be a work of supererogation to assure the Church that in establishing the Pacific Theological Seminary, at Seattle, and in sacrificing and striving for it, she has sought and seeks as a matter of course to serve the Church as a whole. The struggle and the added burden which its maintenance has entailed upon her people manifestly marks it as not a selfish enterprise. She should therefore be deeply distressed and justly aggrieved if, in fidelity to what she believes to be the best interests of the Church, in view of commitments made and in the orderly preservation of her prerogatives, her inability to enter with readiness upon the particular plan proposed by the Commission should be construed as any taint upon her loyalty to the interests of the whole Church.

4. The Pacific Synod agrees with the Commission in the proposition that the burden of proof rests upon any move to make a change of location, but respectfully submits that such burden of proof has not been shown. It is manifestly impossible to argue the question here; yet it seems necessary, in view of certain inaccuracies, to examine some of the chief arguments advanced, either in the Report or in conference, in support of a relocation. These are:

a. That the United Lutheran Church has a larger membership in California than on the territory of the Pacific Synod. True; but not nearly so much larger as the report of the Commission indicates, forasmuch as California is credited with a membership larger by 1,438, or approximately 35%, than the latest records show. And when the element of time is taken into consideration, the difference practically vanishes. And, using the same government statistics employed by the Commission, it is found that on the territory of the Pacific Synod, exclusive of British Columbia, the Lutheran Church in general has more than three times as many organizations, twice as many members and twice as many Church buildings, and that furthermore in the South almost 40% of this membership is in the Synodical Conference, while in the North less than 20% is so affiliated.

b. That Berkeley is a more central location for the West Coast than Seattle. The Report states: "Counting the whole territory concerned as reaching from the Mexican border to and including British Columbia, the centre is approximately in or just below this barrier" (in northern California). Any accurate map, accurately measured, according to the limits defined by the Commission itself, will prove this centre to be almost exactly at Seattle. Moreover, the percentage of Lutheran population is far larger in northern than in southern British Columbia.

c. That the whole Coast should be served by one seminary.

(1) For present needs. The Pacific Synod very respectfully affirms that there already exists one, for which the United Lutheran Church has officially said that "endowment and equipment should be supplied as speedily as possible."

(2) For the future. The Commission's admission of the special and insuperable difficulties involved, including the "barrier," which is even more extensive than the report indicates, the existence of which the Commission employs in favor of a relocation at Berkeley, and which is quite as much a barrier to those in the North as to those in the South, and the Commission's proposal of a junior seminary as a second institution on the Coast, in themselves would seem to indicate the inadequacy of one seminary for all time. Further, this argument was intimately associated in the conference held with representatives of this body with the proposition that the United Lutheran Church should have but five seminaries eventually on the whole North American continent (tentatively, one in the region of Waterloo, one in Pennsylvania, one at Chicago, one in the region of Fargo, and one on the Pacific Coast), which would uproot well established institutions that have long rendered and are now rendering valuable service to the Church. It was admitted, however, that such a plan was likely unrealizable. If realized, we hold that Seattle would be so pre-eminently and unmistakably the central location for the Pacific Coast as to leave no vestige of real solid argument against it. And if not realized, we hold that it would be a very grave mistake indeed to adopt a course which, in view of past history,

our constituency would find it difficult to regard as other than a breaking of faith with this body and thereby to destroy the beginning that, with great sacrifice and high hopes, has been made exactly where the Church should eventually have to begin anew if she would effectually meet the situation on the "unchangeably divided" Pacific Coast.

d. That there will be greater general development in the San Francisco region than in that of Seattle, though admittedly but for a time, twenty-five years having been suggested as a probable limit. We agree with the Commission that "the long future can not be positively predicted," but believe that the best index thereto is to be drawn from the past. And forasmuch as the quarter-century immediately ahead of us has been alluded to, it is of some interest to observe that in the twenty-six years immediately preceding the general post-war demoralization (for which definite data are at hand), the foreign trade of the San Francisco district increased 453%, whereas that of the Seattle district expanded 47,770%. Or, taking a more recent period and viewing the comparative progress from another angle, it is shown by the latest U. S. Industrial Census, results of which are now being announced, that notwithstanding the fact that the last decade was for California a decade of extraordinary progress, whereas for Washington it was a decade of sub-normal development, nevertheless the five-year period covered by the said census has witnessed a far greater degree of progress at Seattle than at San Francisco, as demonstrated by the following percentages of increase:

	Seattle	San Francisco
Capital invested	157.5%	124.1%
Primary horse power employed	104.7%	61.4%
Persons engaged in manufacture	198.7%	45.7%
Wage earners (average number)	228.6%	53.0%
Salaries paid	243.2%	87.4%
Wages paid	542.1%	136.1%
Value of manufactured product	325.6%	157.1%

Or, again, coming down to the present moment and looking at the matter from yet another view-point, it is worthy of note that there are now operating out of Puget Sound fifteen transoceanic shipping lines as over against nine for all other Pacific ports combined, of which latter number four are to be credited to San Francisco. Finally, the unalterable natural advantages affecting future developments support the view that the conclusion of the Commission in regard thereto is erroneous.

e. Other considerations thus far advanced in support of the proposition to remove the Seminary we must, from intimate knowledge of the situation on the Coast, regard as distinct arguments against such a step.

III. On Specific Conclusions.

1. The Pacific Synod, therefore, feels that a proper regard for the true interests of all concerned oblige her, with all due consideration and respect but with clearness and unequivocation, to declare to the Church that the plan proposed by the Commission is inacceptable to her. Appealing to the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church in America and its authori-

tative interpretation, which commits the control of the Seminary to the Synod, she is regretfully constrained to take her position in opposition,

a. Because of her moral and other obligations to those who have sacrificed that the Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle might be;

b. Because of the history antedating the organization of the United Lutheran Church;

c. Because of the record of the Synod and the Seminary in relation to the United Lutheran Church, and the commitments therein made, which the adoption of the said plan would destroy;

d. Because of the interests of the United Lutheran Church in the far West which the ultimate adoption of the plan would seriously imperil.

2. Specifically, the Pacific Synod sincerely regrets that it can not give acquiescence to the proposed plan in the following respects:

a. This body can not agree to the removal of the Pacific Seminary from Seattle, Washington, to Berkeley, California. It sees nothing to gain for the Church thereby, with the probability of much loss. Reference is made in the Commission's report to the early endeavor to locate a seminary in the South. True; but it is to be remembered that at that time the Pacific Synod had but just been organized, while the California Synod by comparison was well established; that $10,000 had been pledged for a beginning there; and that the agreement of this Synod always had in view the subsequent development of a seminary in the North. That such endeavor failed was no fault of the Synods on the coast. It might also be observed, as a slight evidence that the Pacific Synod has not been moved and is not now moved by narrow, selfish or sectional considerations in this matter that even that early endeavor also, as a matter of fact, originated in this body. Much has happened since then. And for the sake of record, without in any wise discounting or disparaging the greatness and the importance and the value of the field of our sister Synod to the South between whom and us particularly cordial and sympathetic fraternal relations have obtained from the beginning, this Synod feels that it must respectfully dissent from the statement of the Commission that a location at Berkeley "would inevitably be the best decision for a new beginning today." The Synods in the far West involved in any proposed adjustments to be made, *"if possible,"* are for all practical purposes the Pacific Synod and the California Synod. The Pacific Synod is unanimously opposed to a removal. For the California Synod we can not, of course, and do not presume to speak. But we believe that the record up to this moment will sustain the statement that the California Synod has not desired and does not desire the removal of the Pacific Theological Seminary from Seattle to Berkeley. The statement, it might be added, is based upon the fact that the California Synod in its latest convention voted down a proposition advocating such removal.

b. The Pacific Synod can not acquiesce in the proposition to make the

Seminary at Seattle a "junior seminary." Such proposition was not considered at the conference held. We submit that a "junior seminary" is an experiment that, aside from all other considerations, should be tried out if thought expedient at all, where there is no conflict with a long antecedent cherished history of loyalty, affection and sacrifice involved. A junior seminary would not and could not, moreover, meet the needs of the situation on our field. Other considerations might also be adduced. This Synod is in no wise averse to the United Lutheran Church making one of the two institutions conditionally suggested for the West Coast a junior seminary, if the Church find the step advisable and the time opportune and come to a logical conclusion in regard thereto; but it can not perceive the logic that would make the unborn babe, to be reared in an atmosphere where it is admitted that the special problem presented is operation with so-called non-Lutheran material and where there has been no strong and unified sentiment for a seminary, the *senior,* and denominate the established institution actually in operation in the most Lutheran region of the far West, with the confirmed loyalty of its constituency and the express sanction of the Church back of it, the *junior.*

c. The Pacific Synod gives its approval to the reservations made in regard to paragraph "d" of the Commission's Report by the Synodical Committee on Conference with the Commission. It begs respectfully also to give official expression to its view that if it is expected to confer something of the powers constitutionally belonging to itself to an advisory committee external to itself it must in all fairness be understood that the members to be appointed thereon shall be sympathetically disposed toward the fundamental purpose of the Synod to preserve and foster the Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle. The reservations referred to are found in the Report of the Conference Committee of the Synod, Part II, Section 3.

IV. ON MATTERS OF RECORD.

1. The Pacific Synod, in view of certain references to the resolutions adopted at the Spokane Convention, feels obliged to reaffirm the position stated in those resolutions and to affirm further that the subsequent resolution concerning location mentioned by the Commission was not meant in any way to modify that position, but merely to give indubitable and satisfying assurance to the Commission that there should be no denial of a full and free consideration of matters relating to location. Such assurance, moreover, was already implicitly involved in the prior resolution to "afford them every opportunity to obtain all information desired."

2. The Synod cannot but consider that the resolutions in recognition and in behalf of the Pacific Theological Seminary, at Seattle, adopted by the United Lutheran Church upon the definite recommendation of the General Council and with the active support of the late Dr. Schmauk, the President thereof, in the First Convention at New York—as an action of the Church, the provisions of which have not yet been either fulfilled or

rescinded—are still in operation and effect; and that the proposals now made are altogether at variance with both the letter and the spirit thereof.

3. The Pacific Synod would respectfully call attention to the presence of the qualifying clause "if possible" in the Washington resolutions when reference is made to contemplated adjustments after study of "the whole question of Christian education and of institutions especially as it relates to the far West." The reference to adjustments therein contained, both because of the context and because of other considerations, has not been interpreted by this Synod as applying specifically and exclusively to the Pacific Theological Seminary at Seattle. If, however, it be argued and granted that such was the specific intent then assuredly the Pacific Synod, as the only body whose vested property rights are thereby affected, is clearly entitled to primary consideration under the limiting clause, and afforded an effective protest both by the provisions of the Constitution and by the terms of the resolution itself.

In conclusion we desire very solemnly to give assurance of our wholehearted devotion to the interests of the United Lutheran Church in America; to aver that in the foregoing declaration, the necessity of which we deeply deplore, there is no intent of personal criticism; and to implore the Church speedily to find a solution to the problem presented which does no violence to engagements heretofore entered into and which we can accept without imperiling her best interests in this wide field of Lutheran opportunity, so that we may press on to build up and to strengthen her interest therein without employing so much of our energy and our time in sustaining positions that we have considered secure through past enactments.

F. W. Bussard, *President.* W. I. Eck, *Secretary.*

Report of Executive Board, I, F, 3 (b) adopted.

The action of the Executive Board concerning a United Christian College in India as presented in the report of the Board (III, B, 2, c) was approved.

The item of the Executive Board's report concerning eleemosynary institutions (VIII, 6 (3)) was adopted.

The budgets proposed by the Executive Board were next considered. Item VIII, 6 (4) A adopted. VIII, 6 (4) B. On motion of Treasurer E. Clarence Miller, $7,000 was added to the amount allotted to the United Lutheran Church treasury making it read $57,000 instead of $50,000. As thus amended the budget (B) for 1923 was adopted. VIII, 6 (4) C. On motion of Treasurer E. Clarence Miller $7,000 was added to the amount

allotted to the United Lutheran Church treasury making it read $70,000 instead of $63,000. As thus amended the budget (C) was adopted.

The Report of the Executive Board was adopted as a whole.

Supplementary Report of the Executive Board

The Rev. H. A. Weller presented a Supplementary Report of the Executive Board. (For the Supplementary Report and action thereon see Minutes of the Thursday Morning session, October 19th.)

In connection with item e President Knubel introduced the Rev. John M. Bellan recently returned from Czecho-Slovakia where, with authority of the President of the United Lutheran Church, he represented the latter in the matter of the proposed agreement. Mr. Bellan spoke of the conditions of the Church in Czecho-Slovakia and also in Jugo-Slavia.

Upon the request of President Knubel that the Convention declare more definitely whether it were willing to endorse the stand taken by the President in regard to the World Conference on Faith and Order, and the Universal Conference on Life and Work, it was moved and carried that the President's stand be endorsed.

The following was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Board be given authority to prepare a pamphlet for publicity containing such deliverances of this Convention as seem to deserve such publication.

The Rev. J. C. Seegers, Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism submitted for the Committee the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

The Committee on Evangelism desires to make the following statement and offer the subjoined recommendations for the thoughtful consideration of this body.

The committee had four meetings, one in New York City and three in Philadelphia. At none of these meetings was the personnel of the committee fully represented. It is a difficult matter to have a meeting of a committee the membership of which is so widely scattered. During the past year one of the members of the committee, Mr. C. Schimmelfeng, of

Warren, Pa., was called from the scenes of labor on earth to the higher and more blessed service in heaven.

In attempting to meet the duties assigned the committee and to solve satisfactorily the problems connected therewith, in order to avoid a program which would be radical on the one side and sterile on the other, your committee had under careful study and review the programs issued by all the historic bodies in Protestantism. We wanted to ascertain their elements of strength and weakness. As a result of this comparative study, together with an appreciative recognition of the distinctive principles of our Church, which must be reflected inevitably in our practices and which must control every expression of life, we submit the following most respectfully.

The question of Evangelism is prominent in the thought of the entire Church. We take it that this fact evidences not only a protest against certain types of Evangelism which have been more or less prevalent in our land, but it registers a determination to deal with the question in a most serious manner and to present a constructive program which will make for efficiency and potency in the outward reach of the Church. The outstanding feature of the programs thus far issued is their harmony with the genius and the spirit of the denomination which published them. They harmonize with the usages and practices of the particular Church. This fact makes it imperative for our Church, which perhaps is "best equipped for a full evangelizing program," to meet the issue squarely and formulate for the congregations a program which will harmonize with her spirit and genius, and which will, therefore, make her influence more effective and her impact upon the great mass of people outside of the Church more definitely felt. We do not want "to borrow our Evangelism." This is as undesirable as it is impractical. We must demonstrate that ours is a more excellent way. The day for negative attitudes is past. The day for adopting the methods of others should never dawn. The day for positive, aggressive action is here.

To view the subject in a manner that will be helpful and which will enable us to see the necessity of a distinctive approach, we ask for your careful consideration of some definite principles, the substance of which is not new, but the continuous recognition of which is essential.

I. The Church to be evangelical must be evangelistic.

II. In being evangelistic she must be evangelical.

III. To be evangelical in her evangelism she must be faithful and true to the means of grace ordained by her Living Head.

IV. These means are the Word and Sacraments. There are no extraordinary means. Through these the Holy Spirit has been gathering souls from the great mass of mankind since Pentecost and bringing them through faith into union with Jesus Christ.

V. These means, which have proven potentially effective through the

ages, and which are absolute and indispensable, have been committed to the Church for administration, the purpose of which administration is to bring men to faith in Jesus Christ and to keep them in union with Christ in true faith.

VI. The Church is represented by the congregation as the primary body and through it she carries out her God-given task of making disciples, evangelizing and Christianizing the world.

VII. Through the proclamation and administration of Word and Sacraments the congregation must be urgent in its endeavor to make practical and effective the admonition of Christ to go into the highways and byways in order that men shall be brought to the Gospel Feast, *i. e.*, the congregation, in possession of the means of grace, must inaugurate activities which have as their aim the bringing of the message of the Gospel to the individuals who have had no fellowship with Christ and the Church, or who by lives of indifference have lapsed from such fellowship.

VIII. Every community, the rural districts, small towns and cities, as well as metropolises, offers opportunity in the unchurched masses for such an activity.

IX. If extraordinary or unusual methods are necessitated in order to inaugurate such an activity, "the ordinary modes of administering the means of grace which have been approved by the experience of the Church should be safeguarded and protected and not disparaged." However extraordinary be the method of presenting the truth in prosecuting this activity, this work of Evangelism, the aim should be "to lead to an ever-growing appreciation and use of what is provided in the Church's ordinary ministrations."

X. In the administration of the means of grace the aim should be not merely the gaining of new recruits from among those who have never made a profession of Christ, but also to prevent losses from the Christian ranks and to retrieve the losses sustained.

XI. The emphasis placed upon the means of grace by the Lutheran Church, her belief in the constant and inseparable presence of the Holy Spirit with the Word to work faith in the heart peculiarly fits the Lutheran congregation not only to be a true witness for Christ in every community, but to be an effective agency in saving the souls of men wherever and in whatever condition they may be found.

The Congregation in Action.

From the above propositions it becomes apparent that for an effective Evangelism the congregation must be the center of activity. It must represent the congregation in action. It must be in harmony with the life of the congregation, whose usages and practices root in and are reflective of the faith of the congregation. Evangelism superimposed upon the congregation from without will be ineffective. It will be preventive of the

most permanent growth of the congregation and will militate against the efficiency of its ministrations in behalf of those brought to a knowledge of Jesus Christ through its efforts. It becomes evident, therefore, that it will be unwise and will prove subversive of the highest interests and preventive of the most permanent results for a Lutheran congregation to attempt Evangelism by identifying with movements originating in and controlled by those of other faiths and practices. This very fact, which limits our activities to movements in harmony with our faith and practice, throws a greater responsibility upon our congregations. It means the congregation is responsible for and must take care of and seek earnestly those in the community who are not of the Church. The fact that we cannot identify ourselves with certain specific activities originating from sources independent of us, the methods of which are not compatible with our principles, is no justification for inactivity. That very fact calls the louder for definite action. Our principles may require us to stand alone at times, frequently alone with sharp criticisms and unwarranted suspicions, but they do not require us to stand aloof from and be indifferent to the surging crowds in the community who are not of the household of faith. There is such a thing as the mission of the home Church as well as the home mission of the Church. We owe a debt to the community. We are a part of it. The unchurched mass needs our influence, our saving ministrations. Whether we have contributed in any way to the making of this mass, whether we are in a measure responsible for its size, may be waived for the moment, but our duty toward that mass is clear. Definite inroads upon it must be made. It must feel the impact of our contact with it. Emphasis is being laid upon this fact in order to show the twofold responsibility of the congregation in this respect. First: It is under obligation to care for its own in such a way that the "crowd without" will not be enlarged. It must prevent lapses. Secondly: It must institute activities which will decrease the number of those without; it must gain recruits. A program of evangelical Evangelism must deal very seriously with the question of prevention and very earnestly with the problem of reclamation. Every program calls for the exercise of the teaching and preaching office. It demands more vigilant oversight.

Prevention.

As the aim of the Church should be to retain those gathered into her fold by her ministrations of the means of grace, to see to it that none be lost through her neglect or failure to care properly for the flock, the first requisite is the adoption on the part of the congregation of methods which will stop the leaks if there are any. Every agency which deals with the individual should be keenly alive to the individual's permanent relation with the Church. If the crowd without is not to be enlarged the crowd within must be retained.

The Home.

The first agency is that of the home. The work of retention is begun here. Here the child should begin to learn of its heavenly relation. In the early hours of its life the baptized child should learn the important truth that it has renounced the world, the flesh and the devil; that it has put on Christ; that it has covenanted with God to walk in newness of life. It should realize, with its awaking consciousness, that it belongs to God and God belongs to it. It should grow in grace as well as in stature. No congregation can be indifferent to the atmosphere which permeates the homes of its members. It should make every effort to have the home realize its responsibility. Religious instruction should be given at the fireside as well as the offering of sacrifices of prayer and praise. Pastoral oversight becomes imperative in this respect. The pastor must use his every effort as the overseer of the flock that the members of his flock are not being poisoned on the one hand or starved on the other. The life of no lamb can develop without daily food. On the one hand it is a crime, on the other it is death that the lambs be fed weekly and then in small portions. The child's first love for God and the things of God and His house is kindled on mother's knee.

The Sunday School.

Following the home teaching comes that which more specifically falls under the care of and is given by the congregation. The Sunday School is the congregation at school. Through this agency the congregation imparts instruction, awakens Christian and Church consciousness and develops Christian Church workers. Too much stress cannot be laid upon the congregation's school as a preventive agency. Here is where the strictest oversight and the most careful supervision must be had. The lapsing tendency begins with the scholar in the Sunday School. Jealous watchfulness should be kept on the entire machinery of the school. The scholar should be studied. His interests should be observed. His absence should be traced, his withdrawal analyzed.

The instruction should be positive and factual. It should lead to conviction. It should confirm the faith of those taught and result in a deeper consecration to Christ. The child will then know what and whom it believes and thus it will be safeguarded against the world.

Catechization.

Supplementing this instruction in the Sunday School is that given by the pastor in the catechetical class. Greater stress must be given to this agency as a preventive force. If it is to accomplish its purpose, the instruction must cover a longer period of time and in some cases be of a different nature. Truth must be individualized. It must be brought into actual contact with the individual. Catechization deals primarily with life. It looks toward the Holy Communion. It aims to confirm faith.

Through the further ministrations of Word and Sacraments, through the continual application of grace through fervent preaching of vital truths, faith will be reinforced, the soul will be anchored, the person saved. When temptations come to such a soul, when strong influences are borne down upon it to turn it away from Christ, it will answer: "To whom shall I go; He has the Word of eternal life." The first step in evangelical Evangelism is prevention.

Reclamation.

The conservation of our own forces, the caring for our own, does not represent our full obligation as the Church of the Gospel. We are not reaching the full measure of our fidelity, nor discharging our full duty, unless by "every means in our power and every possible adjustment of method we reach outward for the careless and indifferent, regardless of their antecedents, that they may be brought to a saving knowledge of Christ." For this work of reclaiming and ingathering, several things are necessary.

First: There must be personal effort. The work may be engaged in by the entire congregation, but it must be the congregation as it is composed of individual units. The congregation cannot work en masse. Every member must feel the necessity of being a real missioner. Through the instruction given by the congregation the consciousness of its members must develop to such a degree that personal responsibility will be a matter of conscience. The "energies of the entire congregation must be marshalled for the ingathering of souls," mobilized for a definite and an intelligent attack upon the masses outside of the Church. But the movement of the congregation will be determined by the action of the individual members.

Second: Special congregational services of a distinctive character should be held. The seasons of Advent, Lent and Pentecost lend themselves very consistently to such services. Such services may be, perhaps should be, conducted simultaneously with meetings conducted by congregations of other faiths and practices, in order to take advantage of the psychology of doing the thing the people are thinking about. The sermons at these services should not be vague or vapory, and the services should be dignified and attractive. Serious minded people do not want entertainment, and the Church that does not present a definite message will not be likely to gain permanent recruits. Perhaps in a less formal, but not in a less emphatic manner, than at the regular services, in all simplicity and in urgent, intense seriousness and personal application the great and fundamental truths of Scripture, in their indispensableness should be declared. False conceptions of spiritual things, their nature and value of life, of the Church, of sin, should be corrected. God, redemption, faith, righteousness, life, death, eternity, etc., all should be unfolded, emphasized and enforced.

Third: In addition to these special services, which should aim to reach

the "up and out" as well as the "down and out," the pastor should preach evangelistic sermons. In a clear, positive manner the truth as it is in Christ should be directed toward those who are at the service but out of the Church. These sermons may deal with matters of particular value to the believer. The comforts and joys of the life of a believer may be a thousand times more effective on the mind of him who does not believe than the most graphic picture of hell. The sermon need not necessarily touch sins, if it only deal with sin, emphatically and uncompromisingly. The primary concern is the regeneration and renovation of the sinner rather than his mere reformation. The sermon should move the will. It should stir the "emotions," not to excite for its own sake but as a means of persuasion to the corresponding action.

Fourth: but souls that have been awakened must be dealt with tenderly and very conscientiously. They need to be nurtured. They dare not be left alone. They must be shepherded. They must be fed. Hence, classes for further instruction should be formed of those in whom the desire to live the life in Christ has been awakened. All Evangelistic services must end with and lead to Evangelical instruction. For all persons influenced by the truth must be brought into saving knowledge of that truth. The converts must be discipled.

Fifth: These classes for adults become not only "centers of information concerning our Church to all who are willing to hear" but places of learning the truth that makes wise unto salvation. Pastors should never forget that the material for the catechetical class may be found in abundance in this unchurched mass, and that many souls therein are eager to receive that which they have to give. There is no reason why a class should not be maintained all the time, and confirmation administered any Sunday.

Sixth: Therefore, it is important that the pastor should be his own Evangelist. He cannot escape the responsibility coming to him through his office, yet if there are those who are particularly gifted in presenting the truth, the pastor may engage the services of such an one.

Seventh: Congregations of the same faith may unite in the conducting of special services.

RECOMMENDATION.

I. That, in order that the work of Evangelism may be prosecuted effectively and wisely, the Presidents of Constituent Synods be requested to appoint a committee on Evangelism which shall act in conjunction with the Committee on Evangelism appointed by the United Lutheran Church in America.

II. That the Presidents of Constituent Synods be requested further, to organize, through the co-operation of the Committee on Evangelism of the U. L. C. in A., the forces of our own Church in strategic centers in order to make practical a program of Evangelism.

III. That the congregations of our Church be impressed with the

necessity of greater zeal in the matter of Evangelism, and that definite instruction be given by the pastor or competent teacher under his direction or authorized by the Church, which shall qualify individuals to go in search for those who are lost.

IV. The creation and dissemination of literature on this subject.

SUGGESTIONS.

Several suggestions may be given in conclusion:

1. Let every pastor prepare, in the Fall, what may be called a Prospective List; i. e., a list which will contain the names of those who may be regarded as prospective members. It should contain the names of all legitimate material, which may be developed during the year. Start with the families already associated with the congregation, e. g., the wife is a member, the husband is not, or vice versa; daughters are associated, sons are not. The members of the family not identified with any church are legitimate material. The pastor of part of the family should cultivate the members of the family who have no pastor. People in the neighborhood should be listed. Men associated with men of the congregation should be noted. The names of those crossed off from the roll as dead timber, should be studied with a view of reclaiming. This gives a working and workable list for the year.

II. After the list has been prepared it should be subdivided, and given to the members of the various organizations of the congregation.

III. Regular and persistent visitation should be a feature of the Fall and Winter's work. An every member canvass that has souls as its aim should be introduced. It is worth while. It will prove profitable. It will increase the efficiency of the "crowd within" and diminish the size of the "crowd without."

IV. In rural communities, or small villages and down town centres in cities there should be definite Evangelism. The aim should be to preach the Gospel in those sections where services are not held regularly, and where the Gospel is not preached. There are sections sparsely settled without proper spiritual care. Services should be held in these places. Such service will give the pastors a new vision. It will give the human touch and Evangelical fervor to their preaching.

Respectfully submitted,

The Committee,

J. C. SEEGERS, *Chairman.*

The recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 adopted.

The Report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. E. K. Bell, President of the Board of Foreign Missions offered the following as a substitute for the resolution concerning a special appeal presented by Secretary Drach, Friday afternoon, October 20th, and referred to the Executive Board:

Resolved, That while we recognize our right to make special appeals to congregations and individuals for the work of our Board, yet we ask for the special endorsement of this Convention of an appeal which we propose making for $300,000 to remove the deficit of our current fund and extend our work in the Mission Field.

The resolution was adopted.

The Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. F. G. Gotwald presented the following Supplementary recommendation of the Board of Education concerning Saskatoon Seminary.

Supplementary Recommendation of the Board of Education Concerning Saskatoon Seminary

In compliance with the action of the Convention, referring to the Board for further consideration and action the needs of this institution in view of the non-completion of the $50,000 building fund, and after further consideration as to the best methods of attaining this end, we respectfully recommend:

First: That the convention renew its expression of favor and sympathy for this worthy enterprise, already given at the Washington convention, and urge its hearty support by all our pastors and congregation in any further appeals in its behalf;

Second: That the synods be requested to complete the quotas originally assigned, the balances on said quota being as follows:

Synod	Quota	Contributions	Bal. Due	Over-Paid
Alleghany	$1,965.30	$495.75	$1,469.55	.....
California	280.95	85.00	195.95	.....
Canada	1,047.00	915.28	131.72	.....
Central Canada	131.68	59.71	71.97	.....
Central Pa.	962.00	27.75	934.25	.....
East Pa.	3,100.65	195.10	2,905.55	.....
Georgia	299.62	55.00	244.62	.....
German Nebraska	907.12	820.59	86.56	.....
Holston	165.00	.....	165.00	.....
Illinois	1,752.82	917.70	835.12	.....
Independent	.....	50.00	.....	.....
Indiana	676.80	215.30	461.50	.....
Iowa	378.52	60.04	318.48	.....
Kansas	420.52	95.00	325.52	.....
Manitoba	376.67	1,062.01	.....	685.44
Maryland	2,732.55	378.90	2,553.65	.....
Michigan	877.87	.....	877.87	.....
Mississippi	50.62	16.28	33.34	.....
Nebraska	717.00	34.00	683.00	.....
New York	2,971.50	948.82	2,022.68	.....
New York Ministerium	4,842.37	3,857.71	984.66	.....
N. Y. & N. E.	1,779.60	1,034.04	734.56	.....

Synod	Quota	Contributions	Balance Due	Overpaid
North Carolina	859.27	141.58	717.69	.....
Northwest	1,176.67	121.60	1,055.04	.....
Nova Scotia	219.75	.....	219.75	.....
Ohio	3,921.22	6,632.69	3,288.53	.....
Pacific	133.05	215.74	.....	82.69
Penn. Ministerium	12,753.37	6,052.46	6,700.91	.....
Pittsburgh	4,896.60	2,499.26	2,396.34	.....
Rocky Mountain	141.45	84.00	57.45	.....
Slovak Zion	347.85	30.00	317.85	.....
South Carolina	881.72	15.50	866.22	.....
Southwest Virginia	369.15	178.55	191.60	.....
Susquehanna	1,502.17	75.00	1,427.17	.....
Tennessee	1,061.85	.....	1,061.85	.....
Texas	212.72	173.40	39.32	.....
Virginia	493.35	94.68	398.67	.....
Wartburg	598.50	475.10	123.40	.....
West Penn	2,860.35	319.97	2,540.38	.....
West Virginia	329.55	148.05	181.50	.....
		22,581.53		

Third: That until the above quotas are paid, the Executive Board be authorized to arrange for the funds immediately necessary for the institution to complete the building.

The recommendation was unanimously adopted.

The Report of the Board of Education was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. A. R. Wentz presented the following report which was adopted.

Proceedings of the Historical Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America

BUFFALO, N. Y., *October* 21, 1922.

The President, Rev. Prof. F. P. Manhart, D.D., presided.

The Rev. Prof. A. R. Wentz, Ph.D., D.D., the Curator presented his report, which was adopted:

During the past biennium all of the current Lutheran publications, periodicals and books have come regularly to the hands of the Curator and have been added to the files and shelves of the Society's collection. In addition a number of extraordinary materials have been received, such as original documents pertaining to the personal life of Dr. S. S. Schmucker, the minute book of the Luther League of America, and so forth.

The work of gathering the older minutes of district Synods is in progress. We hope soon to issue a list of duplicates (mostly of Synod minutes), which we may offer in exchange for numbers lacking in our files, particularly for older minutes of some of the district Synods formerly belonging to the General Council and the United Synod in the South.

The collections of the Society have been consulted during the biennium by scores of persons making research for facts of Lutheran history. The increasing number of congregational and synodical anniversaries bring an

increasing number of calls for materials contained in the library of the Society. The Curator has tried to be of assistance wherever possible in answering such calls for materials.

The possessions of the Society are especially valuable in synodical minutes and manuscript protocols of synods and conferences, in congregational histories, in Lutheran biographies, in its huge collection of pamphlets bearing on the American Lutheran Church in its files of Church periodicals, in its collection of Lutheran catechisms, in materials on Lutheran young people's organizations, and Lutheran educational institutions, male and female, in its large collection of Lutheran photographs, individual and group, and in its unpublished materials, such as Muhlenberg letters, the Berkenmeyer Chronicle, various personal diaries, and so forth.

These materials are now safely housed on a separate floor of the Seminary library at Gettysburg. They are convenient of access and comfortable facilities of research are afforded.

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. J. Elmer Musselman, was presented and adopted, showing a balance of $218.63.

The following officers were elected:

President, Rev. F. P. Manhart, D.D.

Vice-Presidents, Rev. J. A. Singmaster, D.D., LL.D., Rev. M. G. G. Scherer, D.D., Mr. H. M. M. Richards, Litt.D., Mr. G. E. Schlegelmilch, Rev. Prof. L. Fuerbringer, Rev. Prof. O. M. Norlie, Litt.D., Rev. Prof. M. Reu, D.D., Rev. Prof. George Sverdrup, Rev. P. S. Vig.

Curator, Rev. Prof. A. R. Wentz, Ph.D., D.D.

Secretary, Rev. Prof. H. C. Alleman, D.D.

Treasurer, Mr. J. Elmer Musselman.

Miss Mary Markley read a summary of her paper, "Some Chapters on the History of Higher Education of Lutheran Women." Captain Richards read a paper on "Conrad Weiser, an Early Lutheran Patriot."

The minutes were read and approved and the Society adjourned.

A. R. Wentz, *Secretary pro tem.*

The Rev. J. F. Ohl submitted the following report which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE CHURCH BOOK AND LITERATURE SOCIETY

In view of the income of this society, or rather its lack of income, the work that it has been able to accomplish is remarkable.

For the purpose of information and by way of emphasis we re-state the purpose of this organization, namely, "to supply the Common Service Book, either gratuitously or for part pay to mission congregations, institutions of mercy and such other places as it may be deemed expedient, to issue and disseminate, either gratuitously or at the lowest price possible, such literature as is designed to promote Lutheran consciousness and spiritual life."

The Society is organized to do a work for the Lutheran Church similar to that done by the Bishop White Prayer Book Society of the Episcopal Church and the American Tract Society in the general distribution of Christian liteature gratis or at a nominal price, irrespective of cost of publication.

1. Since our last report the Society has supplied twenty-one missions with 596 copies of the Common Service Book and nine mission schools with 314 copies of the Sunday School Book. Another congregation was assisted in securing fifty copies of the music edition of the Common Service Book. Two institutions were furnished twenty-one copies of the Common Service Book. The Society has also placed 113 yearly subscriptions to The Lutheran for public libraries.

2. An arrangement has been made with the Board of Publication for the handling of the Society's eight tracts, which are sold at the nominal price of twenty cents a hundred for free distribution. During the biennium over 200,000 of these tracts have been printed and distributed, and the demand for them seems to be steadily increasing.

3. Since its organization the Society has distributed without cost 3,351 copies of the Church Book and the Common Service Book to 123 missions. It has given 1,579 copies of the Sunday School Book to missions and 381 yearly subscriptions to The Lutheran to public libraries. It has also placed 243 copies of the Church Book and the Common Service Book in twelve institutions. The Society has also been instrumental in securing for poor congregations and missions a large number of books by private and congregational donations which are not included in the above figures. This is a remarkable showing in view of the fact that the Society has never had an annual income of $1,000.

4. Two annual meetings were held, namely, 1921, in the Church of the Holy Communion, Philadelphia, the Rev. J. Henry Harms, D.D., pastor, and 1922, in Trinity Church, Norristown, Pa., the Rev. P. Z. Strodach, D.D., pastor. At the latter meeting the Choir of Trinity Church gave a model rendition of the Service and the Rev. Prof. Luther D. Reed, D.D., delivered an address on "The Liturgy and Life."

5. The present officers and Board members are: Rev. J. F. Ohl, Mus.D., D.D., 826 South St. Bernard Street, Philadelphia, President; Rev. A. C. Carty, 256 Farragut Street, Philadelphia, Vice-President; Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph.D., D.D., 116 East Upsal Street, Corresponding Secretary; M. L. Holloway, 2917 North Twenty-sixth Street, Philadelphia, Recording Secretary; Carl F. Hassold, 410 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Treasurer; Prof. Luther D. Reed, D.D.; George W. Sandt, D.D.; Gomer C. Rees, D.D.; George H. Trabert, D.D.; Prof. Charles M. Jacobs, D.D.; F. H. Knubel, D.D., LL.D.; Rev. John C. Mattes, Rev. Joseph S. Schantz, Rev. William Freas, James H. Wolfe, Esq., Harry Hodges, William Benbow, Harvey Wattles, Oscar C. Schmidt, George C. Baum, Hon. Charles A. Smith, Howard W. Lewis Esq., L. W. Steeble, Dr. E. Clarence Miller,

6. In view of the very great help which this Society could render to the Home and Inner Mission, as well as educational work of the Church if it had a large income, the Society requests the United Lutheran Church to commend its work to the churches and the people and to recommend that an effort be made to increase the membership of the Society to at least 5,000 annual members or memberships.

7. For the purpose of wills, bequests and special donations we would call attention to the corporate title of the organization, namely, "The Church Book and Literature Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church," and would request that the Society be approved by the United Lutheran Church as worthy of receiving special legacies and gifts for the furtherance of its work.

8. According to the articles of incorporation, this Society would be perfectly capable of handling special memorial funds for the free circulation of tracts or booklets or for their publication at reduced prices because of special endowments to provide for the cost of plates. We would urge this method of securing a large amount of literature for the widest circulation at the lowest possible cost.

This Society is organized to serve the Church in the dissemination of literature free or at cost and the limits of its service depend entirely upon its income, which should be increased fivefold during the coming biennium in order that the Society may meet the demands which are made upon it.

WILLIAM L. HUNTON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

On motion the matter of printing the Minutes of this Convention was referred to the Executive Board with power.

On motion of President Knubel the following report was ordered spread upon the Minutes of this Convention with an expression of very hearty gratitude to the Rev. Mr. Dillenbeck for the service rendered by him:

Your Superintendent of Exhibits at the Buffalo Convention would report that the following Synods, twenty-seven in all, sent displays which were shown:

Iowa, Nebraska, Georgia, California, East Pennsylvania, Pacific, Kansas, Rocky Mountain, North Carolina, Indiana, Northwest, Central Canada, Canada, West Virginia, Ministerium of New York, Ministerium of Pennsylvania, New York, Central Pennsylvania, Mississippi, Ohio, West Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Texas, New York and New England, Alleghany, Illinois and Susquehanna.

The following Boards and Committees furnished exhibits:

Laymen's Missionary Movement.
Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.
Board of Education.

Young People's Societies.
The Brotherhood.
The Publicity Committee.
The Immigrants' Mission Board.
The Foreign Mission Board.
The Board of Publication.
Committee on Church Architecture.
National Home for the Aged.
Board of Inner Mission.
Northwestern Mission Board.
Board of Deaconess Work.
Home Mission and Church Extension Board.
Board of Ministerial Relief.
Statistical Committee.
National Lutheran Council.
Committee on Necrology.

The work has been a pleasure and we want to thank you and all others of the Synods and the Boards for the hearty co-operation we received.

Respectfully,

A. L. DILLENBECK, *Superintendent of Exhibits.*

The Rev. Dr. Bramkamp, on behalf of the churches at Chicago, invited the United Lutheran Church to hold its next Convention in that city.

The Secretary read an invitation from the Lutheran Ministers Association of Cleveland.

On motion the invitation of the Chicago churches was accepted.

The following report was received and ordered spread upon the Minutes:

Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence

The following have presented valid reasons for leave of absence:

Rev. J. L. Neve
Rev. W. L. Stough
Rev. H. E. Jacobs
Rev. John Wagner
Rev. A. M. Stamets
Rev. J. E. Bittle
Rev. E. von Hahmann
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Mr. E. C. Meurer
Mr. Philip Ludwig
Mr. J. C. Sigmon
Mr. Alexander Diehl

Your Committee recommends that these be excused.

Your Committee further recommends that for future Conventions of the United Lutheran Church in America a plan be devised by the Executive Committee and its operation be entrusted to the respective Synodical delegations by which proper and continued attendance upon the sessions of the Convention may be assured and a record of the same be kept and handed to the Committee on Leave of Absence for their guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS F. SEEBACH, *Chairman.*
(Signing for the Committee.)

On motion the approval of the Minutes of the two sessions of Wednesday October 25th was referred to the Executive Board.

The Acting President, Dr. Burgess, addressed the Convention speaking of the difficulties under which he had been called upon to preside, handing to President Knubel the gavel presented at the first session of the Convention and expressing his thanks to the members of the Convention for their co-operation. President Knubel made a suitable response to the Rev. Dr. Burgess, expressing to him the thanks of the Convention for the consideration and the wonderful efficiency with which he had performed the task to which he had been called.

Thereupon a motion to adjourn was put and carried. The President announced Hymn No. 167, after the singing of which he closed the Convention according to the Order for the Closing of Synods in the Common Service Book.

The President thereupon declared the Third Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church adjourned.

M. G. G. SCHERER, *Secretary.*

SUNDAY SERVICES

On Sunday, October 22, services were conducted in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church as follows:

9:30 A. M.—Sunday School, conducted as usual, was visited by many Convention delegates.

10:45 A. M.—Morning Service, conducted by the pastors. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Charles M. Jacobs, D. D.

3:00 P. M.—Women's Missionary Mass Meeting. Address by Mrs. Katherine Scherer Cronk, "The Mothers of the United Lutheran Church in America."

7:45 P. M.—Informal Evening Service. Sermon by President J. A. Singmaster, D. D.

OTHER MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, ETC.

PROGRAM OF LUTHERAN EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

Held in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Buffalo, New York, October 21, 1922, in connection with the Third Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America.

Rev. A. J. Turkle, D. D., President Board of Education, United Lutheran Church, presiding.

2:30 P. M.—A Lutheran College for Women—by Miss Mary E. Markley, Secretary for Women Students, Board of Education.

3:15 P. M.—Synodical Obligations to Lutheran Students in non-Lutheran Educational Institutions—by Rev. G. J. Gongaware, D. D., Vice-President Board of Education.

4:00 P. M.—The Church College the Servant of the Church—by Rev. W. H. Greever, D. D., Editor "American Lutheran Survey."

INNER MISSION CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 21, 1922

An Inner Mission Conference was held at the Church Home for the Aged and Infirm, 217 E. Delevan avenue, Buffalo, N. Y., on Saturday, October 21, 1922. Twelve Synods were represented through members of their committees, several of whom came to Buffalo chiefly for this Conference. Eight institutions of mercy and Societies were represented. Four members of the Board were among the twenty-four present.

THE STATISTICAL SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE

The Conference of the Statistical Secretaries of the Constituent Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America with the Statistical and Church Year Book Committee, was held Saturday, October 21, in Zion Lutheran Church, Nineteenth and Ferry streets, Buffalo, N. Y., at 2:30 P. M.

The following members of the Statistical Committee were present: Dr. Ellis B. Burgess, Chairman, Rev. G. L. Kieffer, Secretary, Rev. M. G. L. Rietz, Dr. George H. Schnur and the Rev. C. W. Cassell; five out of eight members.

The following Constituent Synods, twenty-two out of thirty-six, were represented:

Min. of Pennsylvania, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. Ira F. Frankenfield and by Rev. D. H. Frederick.

Min. of New York, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. B. Mehrtens.

United Synod of North Carolina, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. E. H. Kohn.

Synod of Maryland, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. W. G. Minnick.

Synod of South Carolina, by State Statistician of South Carolina, Mr. B. M. Hare, Saluda, S. C.

Synod of Western Pennsylvania, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. D. S. Martin.

Synod of Virginia, by Statistical Secretary, Mr. Harry E. Pugh.

Eastern Pennsylvania Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. J. D. Krout.

Alleghany Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. C. P. Bastian.

Pittsburgh Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Dr. Geo. H. Schnur.

Indiana Synod, by Missionary Superintendent, Rev. J. B. Gardner.

Illinois Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Mr. Frederick Sachse and the Secretary of Illinois Synod, Rev. C. J. Rockey.

Texas Synod, by Rev. F. F. Eberhardt.

Synod of Central Pennsylvania, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. J. F. Harkins.

Mississippi Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. M. D. Huddle.

Synod of Canada, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. O. Stockmann.

Susquehanna Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. F. R. Greninger.

Synod of Nebraska, by Rev. W. I. Guss.

Synod of California, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. J. E. Hoick.

Rocky Mt. Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. H. I. Kohler.

New York and New England Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. E. M. Grahn.

West Virginia Synod, by Statistical Secretary, Rev. S. S. Adams.

The Standard Pastor's Parochial Blank was examined in detail. Parts

were stricken out, other parts corrected, and additions were made with a practically unanimous vote on all items.

The conference unanimously voted to retain the work sheet of the Standard Pastor's Parochial Blank, to make the Assembly Sheet uniform with the work sheet, and that certain definitions be added and others clarified.

The Secretary was instructed to hand a carbon copy of the Minutes of the proceedings of the Conference to the Committee of the Buffalo Convention on the Proceedings of Constituent Synods.

Steps were taken to prepare a uniform system for use in keeping parish records.

The Statistical Secretary was requested, if practicable, to visit the theological seminaries to instruct the students as to how to use the Standard Parochial Blanks, and also to emphasize the importance of parish records.

THE LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD

The Lutheran Brotherhood held its Seventh Convention in Buffalo, N. Y., October 16-17, 1922. The program and business sessions were held in Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Monday afternoon and all day Tuesday, Mr. C. J. Driever, Presiding. The addresses at all these sessions on various phases of men's work in the Church as related to Christian Education were of a high order of merit both in preparation and spirit. They were a fitting keynote to the great work for which the Brotherhood stands. The banquet on Monday evening at the Ellicott Club was a memorable function. Hon. John L. Zimmerman, LL. D., presided. The prayer was offered by Dr. F. A. Kahler. The welcome address was made by Mr. Christopher G. Grauer and the response by the presiding officer, Hon. John L. Zimmerman. In the absence of Dr. F. H. Knubel, owing to illness, the greetings of the United Lutheran Church were presented by Dr. V. G. A. Tressler. The able addresses of the evening were by Dr. John A. W. Haas on "The World Importance of the Lutheran Church," and Dr. Charles M. Jacobs on "Men of Vision." The music of the evening was furnished by Armbruster's Orchestra and the Quartet from the Church of the Redeemer. The business sessions of the Convention were all characterized by purpose and plans of large things for the Brotherhood as an organization for service in the United Lutheran Church.

The following were elected as officers for the ensuing biennium:

Mr. Chas. J. Driever, Chicago, President.
Mr. Geo. M. Jones, Reading, Penna., Vice-President.
Mr. A. H. Algren, Atlanta, Ga., Vice-President.
Mr. Albert F. Sittloh, Denver, Colo., Vice-President.
Mr. A. H. Homrighaus, Chicago, Recording Secretary.
Mr. C. W. Howe, Chicago, Treasurer.

The Executive Committee remains the same as in the preceding biennium.

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1. Executive Board
2. Commission of Adjudication
3. Board of Foreign Missions
4. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension
5. Board of Northwestern Missions
6. Immigrants Mission Board
7. West Indies Mission Board
8. Committee on Jewish Missions
9. Board of Education
10. Inner Mission Board
11. Board of Publication
12. Board of Ministerial Relief
13. Parish and Church School Board
14. Board of Deaconess Work
15. National Lutheran Home for the Aged
16. Committee on Church Papers
17. Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

LIST OF COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, ETC.

1. Statistical and Church Year Book Committee
2. Committee on Common Service Book
3. Committee on Church Music
4. Committee of Conference on Special Linguistic Interests
5. Committee on Lutheran Brotherhoods
6. Committee on Women's Work
7. Committee on Associations of Young People
8. Committee on Work Among Boys
9. Committee on Army and Navy Work
10. Committee on Moral and Social Welfare
11. Committee on Evangelism
12. Committee on Church Architecture
13. Committee on Publicity
14. Committee on Necrology
15. Committee on Transportation

(Its duties shall include all transportation interests, including the mileage and transportation arrangements for the Conventions.)

16. Archivist
17. Statistical Secretary
18. Commissioners to the National Lutheran Council
19. Representative on the Advisory Committee of the American Bible Society.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1. Committee to conduct the opening and closing services of each session
2. Committee on Leave of Absence
3. Committee on Proceedings of District Synods
4. Committee of Reference and Counsel

(Its duties shall include the consideration of all general resolutions before they are submitted to the Convention, arrangements with the President for the hearing of representatives sent to the Conventions, and general assistance to the President in the daily program.)

5. Committee to Nominate Executive Committee of Layman's Missionary Movement
6. Committee to Nominate Members of Boards
7. Committee to Nominate Members of Executive Board and all elective Commissions or Committees
8. Committee of Tellers

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1	Ministerium of Pa.	Aug. 15, 1748	423	356	582	242,714	168,685	132,602	8,772	2,577	509	6,590	3,333	2,171	699	1,828	2,875	2,321	3,806
2	Ministerium of N. Y.	Oct. 23, 1786	162	134	145	107,448	67,155	44,770	3,309	.....	94	2,253	.....	1,539	162	.....	1,407	.....	610
3	United Synod of N. C.	May 2, 1803*	114	98	211	40,250	27,278	17,451	1,055	9	215	924	338	424	44	65	149	400	106
4	Synod of Maryland	Oct. 11, 1820	116	98	136	50,258	37,928	27,587	1,869	405	216	1,479	799	650	123	213	532	525	674
5	Synod of S. Carolina	Jan. 14, 1824	57	49	89	17,954	13,636	10,135	530	309	61	457	336	184	56	55	131	280	173
6	Synod of West Pa.	Sept. 5, 1825	102	88	158	49,881	38,144	32,354	1,557	259	320	1,227	841	421	77	224	595	665	1,575
7	Synod of Virginia	Aug. 10, 1829*	41	30	58	8,525	6,708	5,068	191	70	134	168	235	56	16	23	97	172	141
8	Synod of Ohio	Nov. 7, 1836*	216	184	290	71,699	51,197	41,480	1,989	675	706	1,920	1,421	889	109	250	615	956	4,631
9	East Pennsylvania Synod	May 2, 1842	150	118	149	54,191	39,698	32,855	1,501	536	274	1,507	1,193	696	111	395	628	835	1,494
10	Alleghany Synod	Sept. 9, 1842	82	70	149	35,632	27,041	20,980	1,030	161	305	877	625	265	61	104	333	492	362
11	Southwestern Virginia Synod	Sept. 20, 1842	28	26	67	6,342	5,216	2,571	116	46	67	87	195	50	8	24	42	86	57
12	Pittsburgh Synod	Jan. 15, 1845*	254	213	313	97,275	66,671	48,651	3,295	1,324	403	2,600	1,663	1,547	283	1,795	815	1,339	2,246
13	Indiana Synod	Oct. 28, 1848*	49	54	75	10,492	9,412	7,235	329	154	104	336	239	368	16	155	146	151	544
14	Illinois Synod	Sept. 8, 1851*	126	98	130	34,533	24,713	19,241	1,247	692	408	1,290	737	1,149	38	409	207	524	1,787
15	Texas Synod	Oct. 11, 1851	13	19	19	5,809	3,070	2,407	201	90	12	82	57	99	12	9	35	5	74
16	Synod of Central Pa.	Feb. 21, 1855	32	35	88	17,138	12,887	9,649	368	95	127	369	253	88	31	56	150	191	252
17	Mississippi Synod	July 25, 1855	6	5	14	874	733	369	26	22	3	26	3	59	.....	2	2	7	7
18	Synod of Iowa	Sept. 3, 1855	31	27	30	7,723	5,195	4,288	373	126	114	338	168	230	17	64	41	128	468
19	Michigan Synod	Oct. 27, 1855*	51	45	86	15,657	11,682	8,153	442	68	121	321	213	307	33	66	126	197	225
20	Synod of Georgia	July 20, 1860	23	19	32	5,954	4,084	1,996	137	60	45	119	103	50	4	51	50	68	53
21	Holston Synod	Dec. 29, 1860	8	12	25	2,203	1,546	846	45	.....	6	72	20	.....	2	2	28	20	.....
22	Synod of Canada	July 21, 1861	45	41	73	21,860	14,587	12,352	610	175	31	453	223	132	53	78	221	121	54
23	Susquehanna Synod	Nov. 5, 1867	48	46	79	28,403	21,799	16,413	933	254	166	627	547	408	51	97	268	343	205
24	Synod of Kansas	Nov. 5, 1868	48	36	42	8,108	5,768	4,445	276	173	122	238	229	206	14	64	73	145	564
25	Synod of Nebraska	Sept. 1, 1871	47	44	55	13,732	10,051	6,425	482	104	159	465	320	284	18	212	60	184	772
26	Wartburg Synod	1875	50	48	51	7,385	4,764	4,743	553	.....	23	300	43	229	34	80	114	30	99
27	German Neb. Synod	July 24, 1890	84	78	108	18,473	12,218	9,451	590	134	42	384	63	206	47	54	118	24	83
28	Synod of California	April 2, 1891	53	32	32	7,360	4,243	3,598	344	215	19	216	268	263	17	120	48	90	219
29	Rocky Mountain Synod	May 6, 1891	18	15	17	2,561	1,936	1,274	54	25	9	70	92	69	7	82	10	26	184
30	Synod of the Northwest	Sept. 22, 1891	69	59	69	27,478	17,381	12,718	1,007	1,301	112	959	357	1,360	37	560	99	271	1,094
31	Manitoba Synod	July 16, 1897	33	29	61	9,252	4,681	.....	529	.....	.....	251	.....	.....	12	.....	104	.....	.....
32	Pacific Synod	Sept. 26, 1901	21	24	25	3,864	2,099	1,606	177	202	26	187	82	181	8	98	21	29	129
33	N. Y. and New England Sy.	Sept. 23, 1902	81	63	63	37,275	25,898	19,259	1,336	963	102	1,432	791	947	67	268	238	292	763
34	Nova Scotia Synod	July 10, 1903	8	8	29	5,052	3,005	1,614	169	.....	9	140	24	1	16	1	35	17	33
35	Synod of New York	Oct. 7, 1908	148	136	158	53,277	36,717	22,721	1,536	509	182	1,375	510	802	96	1,376	502	424	1,783
36	Central Canada Synod	Nov. 11, 1908	14	13	17	3,066	1,992	1,403	105	.....	6	108	42	122	.....	.....	42	16	.....
37	Synod of West Virginia	April 17, 1912	16	19	39	6,003	4,272	3,311	167	40	50	146	93	41	13	41	51	101	218
38	Slovak Luth. "Zion" Synod	June 10, 1919	20	23	39	11,306	7,160	5,747	153	.....	.....	74	.....	7	.....	.....	43	.....	.....
	Totals	.....	2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,051	11,475	25,485

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	No. Sub. to Synod'l Papers 20	No. S. S. Papers Ordered 21	No. Sub. to Other Church Papers 22	Number 23	Officers and Teachers 24	Scholars 25	Home Dept. 26	Cradle Roll 27	Number 28	Teachers 29	Scholars 30	Catechumens 31	Ministry 32	Deaconess 33	In Lutheran Institutions 34	In Non-Lutheran Institutions 35	Number 36	Members 37	Number 38	Members 39	Number 40	Members 41	Church Edifices 42	Parsonages 43	School and Parish Houses 44
1	6,288	12,690	3,422	569	10,472	100,749	4,061	9,586	56	196	3,547	4,227	91	11	185	706	159	7,904	557	26,935	443	20,337	11,797,343	1,273,255	315,850
2	.....	.....	.....	155	2,397	22,332	.....	.....	55	79	2,363	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,925	.....	11,850	.....	8,464	5,076,339	.....	.....
3	897	2,041	231	194	1,683	18,812	112	562	11	15	395	2,211	28	2	164	132	24	664	132	3,707	117	3,295	1,396,872	301,836	27,500
4	1,915	4,133	1,364	141	2,987	30,173	1,844	3,333	4	4	145	2,189	20	3	51	244	35	2,028	166	7,681	138	5,554	3,380,075	486,030	13,300
5	1,212	1,274	181	89	922	8,600	363	719	7	48	517	1,101	11	..	134	121	24	784	91	3,203	74	2,426	877,100	183,635	53,000
6	1,157	3,909	851	161	3,382	37,862	2,016	3,637	4	12	228	3,664	50	4	105	200	22	1,536	157	7,146	174	7,664	2,616,575	365,200	18,500
7	760	948	37	55	682	6,237	451	547	1	1	5	296	4	1	21	47	6	374	56	1,683	22	820	568,350	135,400	7,500
8	2,805	18,260	825	280	4,614	45,167	1,541	3,757	15	55	870	2,234	50	4	207	389	102	4,165	326	13,273	200	6,246	5,206,150	636,450	14,800
9	2,004	7,152	779	144	3,280	33,374	4,405	3,802	18	65	878	2,329	39	3	64	232	76	4,045	199	9,736	148	5,580	4,164,300	537,200	85,450
10	1,517	6,144	1,702	152	2,110	22,324	1,444	2,296	8	15	459	1,890	22	2	61	166	32	1,409	120	4,403	99	3,489	2,015,200	293,528	.....
11	258	1,077	5	65	450	3,842	148	256	4	6	92	188	4	..	40	24	6	211	41	1,011	26	853	353,900	92,500	10,000
12	3,491	16,609	4,018	291	4,422	42,430	3,291	6,404	19	74	1,084	3,992	53	3	150	390	91	3,861	377	13,929	281	9,560	5,327,500	790,910	92,500
13	494	2,551	131	65	854	7,448	487	736	.....	.....	.....	190	14	..	40	69	19	433	81	2,164	34	900	823,450	127,000	.....
14	1,372	8,478	846	127	2,268	19,933	654	2,144	8	11	299	1,380	18	1	80	159	55	1,999	192	6,563	124	5,806	2,122,000	356,500	29,000
15	218	110	176	20	95	1,009	.....	78	.....	.....	.....	71	3	..	.....	1	2	99	13	503	7	317	79,500	31,200	4,700
16	680	2,544	238	86	1,369	12,392	636	1,149	.....	.....	.....	735	15	..	29	98	8	390	64	1,974	50	1,778	816,375	126,100	.....
17	39	46	.....	9	53	350	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	..	1	19	.....	.....	4	48	1	25	13,250	1,500	.....
18	256	1,832	245	29	476	4,316	114	677	1	1	25	121	10	..	19	82	13	466	48	1,575	31	914	713,900	116,800	.....
19	918	2,679	297	80	817	7,997	252	1,107	3	3	80	271	5	..	13	67	28	1,226	85	2,268	43	1,219	1,145,250	232,709	10,000
20	244	463	97	26	292	2,161	50	183	4	24	248	179	10	..	13	27	10	326	30	1,106	15	559	342,416	65,930	.....
21	50	44	18	13	80	791	10	12	.....	.....	.....	35	.....	.....	2	11	4	41	12	170	.....	.....	158,100	26,700	.....
22	822	755	605	59	604	4,426	65	276	22	22	691	229	18	2	26	23	3	246	31	2,058	27	1,473	682,950	138,250	7,200
23	815	3,798	205	157	1,645	17,357	1,173	668	1	1	23	1,076	16	1	55	105	30	1,739	87	3,645	65	2,809	1,319,400	167,050	.....
24	1,029	2,355	258	42	585	4,364	161	508	3	12	134	409	2	..	17	137	13	449	62	1,871	44	1,126	702,200	123,900	400
25	414	2,838	330	52	721	6,150	359	908	.....	.....	.....	708	9	1	71	123	19	583	74	2,252	47	1,355	959,100	140,300	.....
26	866	.....	.....	31	359	3,671	10	188	9	9	369	160	8	..	14	6	8	345	34	1,696	22	812	438,150	65,700	15,600
27	1,007	960	122	105	313	3,176	54	16	29	32	574	254	10	..	29	16	2	40	40	1,028	21	738	533,000	194 300	11,400
28	224	1,136	195	30	335	2,626	168	412	4	8	139	206	4	..	3	68	9	219	46	1,459	29	642	830,800	32,800	.....
29	92	612	108	19	150	908	120	143	1	6	80	73	2	..	1	23	5	128	14	437	7	231	136,500	20,500	.....
30	649	3,059	475	66	1,042	8,964	401	1,066	8	19	327	1,130	14	..	13	156	31	1,201	71	3,143	77	2,293	1,233,750	156,100	46,100
31	.....	.....	.....	39	102	1,396	.....	.....	36	39	1,251	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	142	5	188	241,197	.....	.....
32	195	893	77	28	183	1,584	6	148	5	5	101	76	5	..	9	64	9	166	30	758	18	415	211,500	45,700	2,600
33	994	2,661	1,974	64	1,609	15,371	391	2,938	20	114	1,625	542	15	6	29	146	48	2,446	93	5,045	99	3,410	2,374,836	223,500	30,500
34	428	262	.....	14	150	1,427	.....	117	.....	.....	.....	178	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	15	421	5	255	174,400	34,000	.....
35	2,064	4,691	1,526	145	2,175	18,703	1,294	3,139	19	78	985	1,430	23	1	48	197	63	2,309	218	8,000	163	4,323	3,378,200	507,950	82,500
36	.....	.....	.....	16	162	973	.....	220	.....	.....	.....	55	3	..	8	8	3	53	18	372	18	459	187,566	47,000	.....
37	792	1,135	116	29	393	3,161	61	326	.....	.....	.....	191	3	..	10	28	8	242	29	834	20	507	413,200	61,000	.....
38	.....	.....	.....	35	35	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	2	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	383,000	.....	.....
	36,966	118,139	21,454	3,682	54,268	522,691	26,142	52,148	375	954	17,534	34,034	582	45	1,712	4,292	967	47,052	3,618	154,089	2,694	106,842	63,193,694	8,138,433	870,400

Pittsburgh Synod. *Parochial Schools—Number, 2; Teachers, 3; Scholars, 40.

Index Number	Valuation of Church Property				Congregational Expenses			Congregational Benevolence										Summary	
								Apportioned			Unapportioned								
	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Other Benevolence	Total Unapport'd Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63
1	670,495	415,725	14,472,668	1,092,067	1,105,781	719,761	1,825,542	245,122	3,264	88,136	89,472	9,810	4,459	43,940	18,674	114,886	281,241	526,363	2,351,905
2	.....	.....	5,076,339	417,915	586,931	.....	586,931	65,210	.....	52,938	19,403	.....	.....	.....	.....	80,774	100,177	165,387	752,318
3	27,200	21,585	1,774,993	84,521	134,348	126,627	260,975	30,759	125	3,244	18,621	3,292	6,050	6,132	6,370	14,298	54,763	85,522	346,497
4	59,197	40,100	3,978,702	237,270	311,527	187,434	498,961	82,963	7,832	11,482	12,561	11,232	5,730	9,018	12,483	23,351	74,375	157,338	656,299
5	32,750	3,350	1,149,835	97,183	95,206	70,423	165,629	26,041	129	8,267	4,938	2,482	2,752	3,009	5,795	8,776	27,752	53,793	219,422
6	185,965	57,754	3,243,994	32,865	278,077	82,263	360,340	86,997	10,795	23,217	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,330	80,827	95,157	182,154	542,494
7	43,250	19,425	773,925	36,800	59,616	49,682	109,298	15,593	847	5,602	4,993	3,094	1,203	4,111	2,591	4,587	20,579	36,172	145,470
8	173,157	118,195	6,148,752	387,512	552,933	300,296	853,229	145,123	7,395	38,122	152,359	17,381	6,567	12,521	14,105	35,682	238,615	383,738	1,236,967
9	108,785	411,500	5,307,235	490,765	430,053	214,101	644,154	95,825	16,150	9,957	14,908	15,928	6,040	15,775	18,419	37,136	108,206	204,031	848,185
10	53,106	50,200	2,412,034	161,751	222,988	252,833	475,821	66,653	.....	438	10,997	7,031	2,510	6,783	10,910	14,166	52,397	119,050	594,871
11	40,914	2,975	500,289	18,000	29,319	33,076	62,395	6,149	210	1,130	3,057	1,072	404	2,642	2,354	3,037	12,566	18,715	81,110
12	225,477	345,350	6,781,737	535,427	547,558	431,471	979,029	133,048	.....	20,496	105,444	12,835	7,704	26,601	25,064	93,677	271,325	404,373	1,383,402
13	18,200	21,950	990,600	62,215	122,168	62,982	185,150	26,948	1,293	3,796	21,958	3,162	3,778	2,541	3,709	8,648	43,796	70,744	255,894
14	25,925	48,315	2,581,740	237,723	263,899	211,750	480,649	59,877	1,631	4,504	16,530	6,691	2,949	52,643	9,898	22,658	111,369	171,246	651,895
15	.....	2,500	117,900	2,570	17,219	1,855	19,074	1,738	.....	2,793	401	16	222	72	7	1,787	2,505	4,243	23,317
16	9,100	13,125	964,700	11,860	75,556	40,523	116,079	26,507	4,400	1,370	7,239	1,529	386	1,843	3,428	6,354	20,779	47,286	163,365
17	.....	4,069	18,819	500	1,884	786	2,670	380	99	718	.....	.....	4	.....	21	67	92	472	3,142
18	4,000	36,000	870,700	149,288	84,696	25,930	110,626	10,139	57	6,041	828	1,201	.....	970	2,166	883	6,048	16,187	126,813
19	3,350	143,600	1,534,909	126,185	106,641	54,607	161,248	20,609	801	2,807	15,648	1,906	223	211	2,013	10,296	30,297	50,906	212,154
20	11,400	45,250	464,996	114,000	39,367	91,430	130,797	8,300	23	139	217	457	828	318	992	3,638	6,450	14,750	145,547
21	6,800	.....	191,600	7,725	11,032	4,964	15,996	1,786	.....	104	.....	.....	.....	116	542	1,247	1,905	3,691	19,687
22	1,200	16,150	845,750	19,050	82,809	38,485	121,294	18,986	10	2,742	1,705	2,312	474	160	905	11,091	16,647	35,633	156,927
23	42,925	9,700	1,539,075	61,523	152,994	86,845	239,839	43,107	3,410	2,721	35,498	5,700	1,881	1,262	5,819	25,581	75,741	118,848	358,687
24	2,980	37,050	866,530	37,521	87,867	45,965	133,832	16,676	246	2,766	4,759	3,144	79	977	2,460	2,224	13,643	30,319	164,151
25	500	103,742	1,203,642	52,948	97,095	26,920	124,015	21,240	1,007	6,257	2,552	3,123	2,600	1,268	2,927	2,242	14,712	35,952	159,967
26	1,945	10,400	530,895	60,400	53,148	35,578	88,726	8,132	724	864	1,242	705	848	483	1,404	2,566	7,248	15,380	104,106
27	3,000	12,800	754,500	14,500	71,524	20,698	92,222	9,787	.....	2,873	4,323	420	412	865	234	4,675	10,929	20,716	112,938
28	8,293	6,954	878,847	42,630	57,624	30,745	88,369	9,005	555	2,176	134	755	72	432	2,321	7,341	11,055	20,060	108,429
29	.....	9,825	166,825	27,258	19,377	18,433	37,810	3,621	93	460	125	503	16	153	682	914	2,393	6,014	43,824
30	2,000	32,667	1,470,617	258,904	150,956	93,870	244,826	31,158	.....	.....	4,462	1,661	869	11,394	5,502	19,842	43,730	74,888	319,714
31	.....	.....	241,197	.....	40,426	.....	40,426	.....	.....	.....	3,629	1,042	1,042	.....	.....	5,646	11,359	11,359	51,785
32	.....	44,300	304,100	63,845	23,531	23,783	47,364	3,707	267	1,224	4,452	195	83	223	693	885	6,531	10,238	57,602
33	14,478	88,634	2,831,948	480,536	289,110	233,189	522,299	58,018	.....	.....	2,760	7,735	4,110	8,462	6,150	31,750	60,967	118,985	641,284
34	.....	850	209,250	25,005	17,302	20,035	37,387	2,851	.....	2,730	142	206	.....	15	39	1,022	1,424	4,275	41,662
35	89,706	85,700	4,144,056	371,975	308,000	135,035	443,035	42,630	1,003	29,322	2,579	12,968	1,705	25,620	5,123	8,333	56,328	98,958	541,993
36	28,100	.....	262,666	80,840	26,189	30,964	57,153	4,706	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	426	2,203	2,679	7,385	64,538
37	2,500	41,050	517,750	87,195	41,467	31,746	73,213	10,217	235	2,871	1,570	552	319	367	1,482	1,389	5,679	15,896	89,109
38	.....	.....	383,000	23,200	20,000	.....	20,000	524	.....	.....	15	50	.....	.....	.....	136	201	725	20,725
	1,895,798	2,400,790	76,507,115	6,011,472	6,621,268	3,835,135	10,456,403	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,190	66,369	240,927	190,038	694,615	1,901,660	3,341,792	13,798,195

COMPARATIVE PAROCHIAL STATISTICS OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA FOR 1919-1920-1921

Compiled by Rev. G. L. Kieffer, Statistical Secretary

Index Number	YEAR WHEN ORGANIZED	Pastors	Parishes	PAROCHIAL																						FINANCIAL		
				Membership				Accessions								Losses						Church Papers			*Church Schools														Valuation of Church Property		
								Children		Adult						Children		Adult				Sunday						Other Weekday				Students				Church Societies								
				Congregations	Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Otherwise	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Otherwise	Death	Otherwise	Death	Certificate	Otherwise	No. Sub. to Synod'l Papers	No. S. S. Papers Ordered	No. Sub. to Other Church Papers	Number	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Scholars	Catechumens	Ministry	Deaconess	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Men's Number	Men's Members	Women's Number	Women's Members	Young People's Number	Young People's Members	Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
1	1919	2,843		3,473	1,094,153	776,582	474,553	34,785		4,400	27,645	13,915	9,235			14,073	10,664	23,467																						
2	1921	2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500			11,051	11,475	25,485																						
3	2 Years Gain	44		330	52,854	24,668	123,215	2,618		902	2,822	2,541	7,265	2,392	8,921		811	2,018																						
4	2 Years Decrease															3,022																								
5	1919															14,073	10,664	23,467																						
6	1920	2,843		3,473	1,094,153	776,582	474,553	34,785		4,400	27,645	13,915	9,235			11,554	11,610	26,550																						
7	1 Year Gain	2,812		3,775	1,117,938	791,400	580,018	36,438		4,834	29,380	15,214	14,571			11,051	11,475	25,485																						
8	1 Year Decrease			302	23,785	14,818	105,465	1,653		434	1,735	1,299	5,336			499	135	1,065																						
9	1920	31																																						
10	1921	2,812		3,775	1,117,938	791,400	580,018	36,438		4,834	29,380	15,214	14,571			2,519																								
11	1 Year Gain	2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,554	11,610	26,550																						
12	1 Year Decrease	75		28	29,069	9,850	17,750	965		468	1,087	1,242	1,929			11,051	11,475	25,485																						
																499	135	1,065																						
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2	1921	2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,554	11,610	26,550	36,969	118,139	21,454	3,412	53,524	514,924	19,019	32,228	109	130	4,779	36,689	526	14	233	611	708	32,550	2,811	104,760	2,114	81,746	†	2,071,193	†
3	2 Years Gain	330	52,854	24,668	123,215	2,618		902	2,822	2,541	7,265					11,051	11,475	25,485				3,682	54,268	522,691	26,142	52,148	375	954	17,534	34,034	582	45	1,712	4,292	967	47,052	3,618	154,089	2,694	106,842	†63,193,694	8,138,433	†878,400
4	2 Years Decrease															811		2,018				270	744	7,767	7,123	19,920	266	824	12,755		56	31	1,479	3,681	259	14,502	807	49,329	580	25,096		6,067,240	
5	1919															3,022																								
6	1920	2,843		3,473	1,094,153	776,582	474,553	34,785		4,400	27,645	13,915	9,235			14,073	10,664	23,467				3,412	53,524	514,924	19,019	32,228	109	130	4,779	2,655													
7	1 Year Gain	2,812		3,775	1,117,938	791,400	580,018	36,438		4,834	29,380	15,214	14,571			11,554	11,610	26,550				3,399	52,939	515,815	23,506	46,300	190	326	7,070	36,689	526	14	233	611	708	32,550	2,811	104,760	2,114	81,746			
8	1 Year Decrease	31		302	23,785	14,818	105,465	1,653		434	1,735	1,299	5,336			11,051	11,475	25,485				13	585	891	4,487	14,072	81	196	2,291	44,334	577	46	1,833	4,316	892	39,426	3,547	139,205	2,367	92,822	*	2,071,193	*
9	1920															499	135	1,065												7,645	51	32	1,600	3,705	184	6,876	736	34,445	253	11,076	*	6,928,456	*
10	1921	2,812		3,775	1,117,938	791,400	580,018	36,438		4,834	29,380	15,214	14,571			2,519			36,969	118,139	21,454	3,399	52,939	515,815	23,506	46,300	190	326	7,070	44,334	577	46	1,833	4,316	892	39,426	3,547	139,205	2,367	92,822		4,857,263	
11	1 Year Gain	2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,554	11,610	26,550				3,682	54,268	522,691	26,142	52,148	375	954	17,534	34,034	582	45	1,712	4,292	967	47,052	3,618	154,089	2,694	106,842	‡	6,928,456	†
12	1 Year Decrease	75		28	29,069	9,850	17,750	965		468	1,087	1,242	1,929			11,051	11,475	25,485				283	1,329	6,876	2,636	5,848	185	628	10,464		5			75	7,626	71	14,884	327	14,020	‡63,193,694	8,138,433	‡878,400
																499	135	1,065												10,300		1	121	24								

FINANCIAL

Index Number	Valuation of Church Property				Congregational Expenses			Congregational Benevolence									Summary	
								Apportioned			Unapportioned							
	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Other Benevolence	Total Unapportioned Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62
1	1,032,292	.....	42,383,332	4,527,913	4,984,795	1,916,749	6,901,544	1,334,202	.....	.....	76	.....	5,459	70	.....	902,981	908,586	2,252,788	9,154,332
2	1,895,798	2,400,790	76,507,115	6,011,472	6,621,268	3,335,135	10,456,403	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,190	66,369	240,927	190,038	694,615	1,901,680	3,341,792	13,798,195
3	863,506	.....	34,123,783	1,483,559	1,636,473	1,918,386	3,444,859	105,930	.....	.....	569,445	.....	60,910	240,857	.....	208,366	1,003,094	1,089,004	4,643,863
4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	1,032,292	.....	42,383,332	4,527,913	4,984,795	1,916,749	6,901,544	1,334,202	.....	.....	76	.....	5,459	70	.....	902,981	908,586	2,252,788	9,154,332
6	2,065,974	.....	70,142,813	5,581,845	5,630,943	2,968,750	8,599,693	1,144,292	.....	.....	612,129	.....	36,017	233,855	149,406	834,337	1,901,680	3,071,913	11,671,606
7	1,033,682	.....	27,759,481	1,053,932	646,148	1,052,001	1,698,149	.....	.....	.....	612,053	.....	30,558	233,785	.....	.....	993,094	819,125	2,517,274
8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	189,910	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68,644	.....	.....	.....
9	2,065,974	.....	70,142,813	5,581,845	5,630,943	2,968,750	8,599,693	1,144,292	.....	.....	612,129	.....	36,017	233,855	149,406	834,337	1,865,798	3,071,913	11,671,606
10	1,895,798	2,400,790	76,507,115	6,011,472	6,621,268	3,335,135	10,456,403	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,190	66,369	240,927	190,038	694,615	1,901,660	3,341,792	13,798,195
11	.....	.....	6,364,302	429,627	990,325	866,385	1,856,710	295,840	.....	.....	.....	.....	30,352	7,072	40,632	.....	36,682	269,879	2,126,589
12	170,176	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42,608	.....	.....	.....	.....	139,722	.....	.....	.....

TOTAL OF ACCESSIONS AND LOSSES COMPARED

1920 Total accessions, 100,437 Total losses, 49,714
1921 Total accessions, 117,895 Total losses, 59,324

1921 Gain accessions, 17,458 Greater loss, 9,610
1920 Accessions gain over losses, 50,723
1921 Accessions gain over losses, 58,571

1920 Excess accession gain over losses, 7,848
1920-21 Total accession gain over losses, 109,294

†Year 1919, 25,742,748
†Year 1921, 64,072,094
2 Year Gain, 38,329,346

*Year 1919, 25,742,748
*Year 1920, 53,906,683
1 Year Gain, 28,163,935

‡Year 1920, 53,906,683
‡Year 1921, 64,072,094
1 Year Gain, 10,165,411

	Current Exp.	Unusual Exp.	Total Cong. Exp.	Total Benev.	Total Expenditures
1919 percapita (776,582cf.m.)	$6.42	$2.46	$8.88	$2.90	$11.78
1921 percapita (801,250cf.m.)	8.26	4.79	13.05	4.17	17.22
1921 gain over 1919 per capita	1.84	0.33	4.17	1.27	5.44

	1919	1920	1921
*Parochial Schools—Number	27	59	2

	Current Exp.	Unusual Exp.	Total Cong. Exp.	Total Benev.	Total Expenditures
1919 percapita (776,582cf.m.)	$6.42	$2.46	$8.88	$2.90	$11.78
1920 percapita (791,400cf.m.)	7.15	3.75	10.90	3.88	14.78
1920 gain over 1919 per capita	0.73	1.29	2.02	0.98	3.00

	1919	1920	1921
Teachers	16	108	2

	Current Exp.	Unusual Exp.	Total Cong. Exp.	Total Benev.	Total Expenditures
1920 per capita (791,400cf.m.)	$7.15	$3.75	$10.90	$3.88	$14.78
1921 per capita (801,250cf.m.)	8.26	4.79	13.05	4.17	17.22
1921 gain over 1920 per capita	1.11	1.04	2.15	0.29	2.44

	1919	1920	1921
Scholars	658	2,432	49

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Compiled by Rev. G. L. Kieffer, Statistical Secretary.

PAROCHIAL

Index Number	COUNTRY	When Organized	PASTORS	Congregations	Membership: Baptized	Membership: Confirmed	Membership: Communing	Accessions: Children: Baptism	Accessions: Children: Otherwise	Accessions: Adult: Baptism	Accessions: Adult: Confirmation	Accessions: Adult: Certificate	Accessions: Adult: Otherwise	Losses: Children: Death	Losses: Children: Otherwise	Losses: Adult: Death	Losses: Adult: Certificate	Losses: Adult: Otherwise
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	India	1842	Foreign, 21; Native, 21	1,152	96,918	*67,843	38,975	4,683	.....	3,485	2,258	.....	2,299	.....	.....	2,233	.....	3,080
2	Japan	1892	Foreign, 15; Native, 10	15	1,165	932	500	11	.....	115	10	36	.....	.....	.....	4	29	34
3	Liberia	1860	Foreign, 5; Native, 0	5	275	220	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Argentine	1908	Foreign, 2; Native, 1	4	154	123	53	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	British Guinea	1915	Foreign, 1; Native, 0	4	475	380	335	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
6	Porto Rico	....	1 U. L. C.; 2 Non-U. L. C	12	1,279	648	365	53	20	.....	48	7	8	4	.....	11	8	72
7	Virgin Islands	....	2 U. L. C.; 1 Non-U. L. C	5	2,047	1,058	590	81	3	.....	38	11	38	17	.....	33	32	27
8	Harlem, N. Y.	....	1 U. L. C	1	470	304	265	16	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	Total		35	1,198	102,783	71,508	41,193	4,935	23	3,600	2,368	54	2,394	21	.....	2,281	69	3,218
10	U. S. and Canada		2,887	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,051	11,475	25,485
11	GRAND TOTAL		2,922	5,001	1,249,790	872,758	638,961	42,338	11,796	8,902	32,835	16,510	18,894	2,413	8,921	13,332	11,544	28,703

PAROCHIAL

Index Number	Church Papers: No. Sub. to Synod'l Papers	Church Papers: No. S. S. Papers Ordered	Church Papers: No. Sub. to Other Church Papers	Church Schools: Sunday: Number	Sunday: Officers and Teachers	Sunday: Scholars	Sunday: Home Dept.	Sunday: Cradle Roll	Other Weekday: Number	Other Weekday: Teachers	Other Weekday: Scholars	Catechumens	Students: Ministry	Students: Deaconess	Students: In Lutheran Institutions	Students: In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Church Societies: Men's: Number	Men's: Members	Women's: Number	Women's: Members	Young People's: Number	Young People's: Members
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
1	.....	.....	.....	859	1,447	34,020	.....	.....	981	1,308	28,815	13,225	16	..	.....	.....	305	5,763	375	6,285	.....	.....
2	.....	.....	.....	40	92	2,256	.....	.....	4	79	835	100	8	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	110	11	240
3	.....	.....	.....	4	30	300	.....	.....	2	15	300	175	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	.....	.....	.....	4	13	122	.....	.....	6	13	243	10	1	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	.....	.....	.....	4	10	189	.....	.....	3	4	124	32	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	.....	.....	10	22	75	1,614	.....	.....	4	8	386	.....	6	..	2	1	.....	.....	2	40	5	134
7	5	.....	12	5	63	640	.....	.....	2	5	50	.....	..	..	1	.....	1	60	2	54	3	101
8	.....	.....	21	1	10	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	21	.....	.....
9	5	.....	43	939	1,740	39,281	.....	.....	1,002	1,432	30,753	13,542	32	..	3	1	306	5,823	387	6,510	19	475
10	36,966	118,139	21,454	3,682	54,268	522,691	26,142	52,148	375	954	17,534	34,034	582	45	1,712	4,292	967	47,052	3,618	154,089	2,694	106,842
11	36,971	118,139	21,497	4,621	56,008	561,972	26,142	52,148	1,377	2,386	48,287	47,576	614	45	1,715	4,293	1,273	52,875	4,005	160,599	2,713	107,317

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Index Number	Valuation of Church Property: Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses
	41	42	43
1	.....	.....	.....
2	.....	.....	.....
3	.....	.....	.....
4	.....	.....	.....
5	.....	.....	.....
6	.....	.....	.....
7	55,066	21,807	2,000
8	137,500	20,000	15,500
9	.....	.....	.....
10	192,566	41,807	17,500
11	63,193,694	8,138,433	878,400

*Estimated for Foreign Mission Fields

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FINANCIAL

Index Number	Valuation of Church Property				Congregational Expenses			Congregational Benevolence										Summary	
								Apportioned			Unapportioned								
	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Other Benevolence	Total Unapportioned Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62
1	.....	.....	700,000	.....	.....	.....	†64,713	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9,522	74,235
2	.....	.....	250,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,954	1,954
3	.....	.....	50,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	400
4	.....	.....	10,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	.....	.....	40,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	.....	13,925	92,798	.....	959	249	1,208	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	5	27	27	1,208
7	.....	36,000	209,000	.....	2,592	908	3,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	543	623	623	3,500
8	.....	3,500	.....	.....	1,171	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69	.....	69	1,171
9	.....	53,425	1,351,798	.....	4,722	1,157	69,421	.....	.....	.....	.....	102	.....	.....	.....	617	650	12,595	82,468
10	1,895,798	2,400,790	76,507,115	6,011,472	6,621,268	3,835,135	10,456,403	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,190	66,369	240,927	190,038	694,615	1,901,660	3,341,792	13,798,195
11	1,895,798	2,454,215	77,858,913	6,011,472	6,625,990	3,836,292	10,525,824	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,292	66,369	240,927	190,038	695,232	1,902,310	3,354,387	13,880,663

†Includes only contributions by native church for Foreign Mission Fields.

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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA, 1922

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Index Number	SYNODS	When Organized	Pastors	Parishes	PAROCHIAL																Index Number
					Congregations	Membership			Accessions						Losses						
									Children		Adult				Children		Adult				
						Baptized	Confirmed	Communing	Baptism	Otherwise	Baptism	Confirmation	Certificate	Otherwise	Death	Otherwise	Death	Certificate	Otherwise	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
1	Ministerium of Pa.	Aug. 15, 1748	430	354	574	248,671	171,893	132,907	8,264	2,332	620	6,757	3,705	2,171	654	1,828	2,946	2,340	4,042		1
2	Ministerium of N. Y.	Oct. 23, 1786	155	134	145	*107,448	*67,155	49,456	3,061	825	163	2,194	375	1,316	177	344	1,716	169	320		2
3	United Synod of N. C.	May 2, 1803	103	98	207	34,393	26,140	18,156	1,434	261	159	1,339	784	95	107	215	277	330	443		3
4	Synod of Maryland	Oct. 11, 1820	123	97	137	52,066	39,179	28,340	1,070	423	193	1,117	591	669	67	428	526	449	451		4
5	Synod of S. C.	Jan. 14, 1824	45	51	89	18,065	13,695	9,886	506	111	62	400	361	36	27	44	125	223	245		5
6	Synod of West Pennsylvania	Sept. 5, 1825	100	87	158	50,331	38,307	33,464	1,314	290	276	1,078	860	577	85	343	493	590	1,438		6
**7	Synod of Virginia	Aug. 10, 1829	75	74	140	16,827	13,437	8,772	329	77	229	323	297	84	22	48	162	216	147		**7
8	Synod of Ohio	Nov. 7, 1836	*216	*184	289	69,631	51,529	42,979	1,881	627	694	1,568	1,316	1,046	119	511	647	992	3,112		8
*9	East Pennsylvania Synod	May 2, 1842	150	118	149	54,191	39,698	32,855	1,501	536	274	1,507	1,193	696	111	395	628	835	1,494		*9
10	Alleghany Synod	Sept. 9, 1842	*82	*70	149	35,617	27,845	22,138	1,023	223	393	863	574	297	80	115	357	366	1,188		10
11	Pittsburgh Synod	Jan. 15, 1845	253	213	313	99,754	68,519	49,652	3,371	1,519	336	2,775	1,451	1,952	252	1,133	840	1,235	2,591		11
12	Indiana Synod	Oct. 28, 1848	53	56	76	11,299	10,139	7,508	358	88	150	349	210	425	15	68	113	111	199		12
13	Illinois Synod	Sept. 8, 1851	123	94	132	35,110	25,046	20,109	1,287	612	354	1,308	562	1,145	62	942	263	425	2,141		13
*14	Texas Synod	Nov. 10, 1851	13	19	19	5,809	3,070	2,407	201	90	12	82	57	99	12	9	35	5	74		*14
15	Synod of Central Pennsylvania	Feb. 21, 1855	*32	*35	87	17,393	12,376	9,863	415	120	135	419	251	121	34	88	191	246	674		15
16	Mississippi Synod	July 25, 1855	6	5	14	816	660	332	13	2	1	9	3	8	1	4	9	5	99		16
17	Synod of Iowa	Sept. 3, 1855	*31	27	30	8,125	5,329	4,640	372	46	136	358	174	256	16	177	62	194	607		17
18	Michigan Synod	Oct. 27, 1855	52	*45	83	16,155	11,816	8,176	545	96	237	363	346	252	23	141	163	142	609		18
19	Synod of Georgia	July 20, 1860	*23	*19	35	6,440	4,422	2,507	139	124	28	109	90	135	11	35	39	58	33		19
20	Synod of Canada	July 21, 1861	46	46	74	21,779	14,915	12,716	648	151	14	454	68	290	50	79	209	84	100		20
21	Susquehanna Synod	Nov. 5, 1867	40	79	79	29,349	22,359	16,754	770	145	169	690	423	268	43	71	259	294	313		21
22	Synod of Kansas	Nov. 5, 1868	*48	34	40	7,949	5,833	4,596	248	128	101	227	279	155	19	69	67	151	506		22
23	Synod of Nebraska	Sept. 1, 1871	*47	44	53	14,297	10,458	7,348	619	84	182	593	301	283	12	47	75	168	670		23
*24	Wartburg Synod	1875	50	48	51	7,385	4,764	4,743	553	.....	23	300	43	29	34	80	114	30	99		*24
25	German Nebraska Synod	July 24, 1890	85	*78	100	15,334	9,332	7,735	605	133	15	475	45	160	33	94	124	52	79		25
26	Synod of California	April 2, 1891	54	33	33	8,660	5,260	4,548	381	263	29	199	304	299	17	194	104	122	415		26
27	Rocky Mountain Synod	May 6, 1891	*18	16	18	2,495	1,858	1,263	95	41	17	55	94	102	5	55	14	56	199		27
*29	Manitoba Synod	July 16, 1897	33	29	61	9,252	4,681	.....	529	.....	.....	251	.....	.....	43	782	80	263	1,248		28
‡30	Pacific Synod	Sept. 26, 1901	26	23	26	3,979	2,203	1,667	125	151	5	58	35	97	12	.....	104	.....	.....		*29
31	N. Y. and N. E. Synod	Sept. 23, 1902	77	63	66	35,533	27,843	21,083	1,267	575	116	1,563	579	869	5	84	21	33	45		‡30
32	Nova Scotia Synod	July 10, 1903	*8	8	30	5,187	2,818	1,452	164	.....	7	68	28	3	42	291	235	308	623		31
33	Synod of New York	Oct. 7, 1908	*148	*136	156	53,026	36,325	24,340	1,496	656	197	1,439	475	679	10	3	58	20	1		32
34	Central Canada Synod	Nov. 11, 1908	17	16	17	3,123	2,005	1,455	124	28	4	66	54	45	92	628	542	385	1,490		33
*35	Synod of West Virginia	April 17, 1912	16	19	39	6,003	4,272	3,311	167	40	50	146	93	41	5	26	29	20	78		34
*36	Slovak "Zion" Synod	June 10, 1919	20	23	39	11,306	7,161	5,747	153	.....	.....	74	.....	7	13	41	51	101	218		*35
															.....	.....	43	.....	.....		*36
	1922 Total		2,878	2,537	3,778	1,152,466	810,707	616,706	36,222	12,028	5,542	30,651	16,470	15,913	2,310	9,412	11,721	11,018	25,991		
	1921 Total		2,887	2,492	3,803	1,147,007	801,250	597,768	37,403	11,773	5,302	30,467	16,456	16,500	2,392	8,921	11,051	11,475	25,485		
	Increase		.....	45	.....	5,459	9,457	18,938	.....	255	240	184	14	.....	.....	491	670	.....	506		
	Decrease		9	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	1,181	.....	.....	.....	.....	587	82	.....	.....	457	.....		

*1921 Report. **Includes 1922 Southwest Virginia Synod Report and 1921 Holston Synod Report. ‡Net Deficit.

Index Number	PAROCHIAL																					FINANCIAL			Index Number
	Church Papers			Church Schools								Catechumens	Students				Church Societies						Valuation of Church Property			
				Sunday					Other Weekday								Men's		Women's		Young People's					
	No. Sub. to Synod'l Papers	No. S. S. Papers Ordered	No. Sub. to Other Church Papers	Number	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Scholars		Ministry	Deaconess	In Lutheran Institutions	In Non-Luth. Institutions	Number	Members	Number	Members	Number	Members	Church Edifices	Parsonages	School and Parish Houses	
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	
1	9,650	13,981	3,914	571	10,927	108,192	4,480	10,233	62	202	3,963	3,471	98	15	218	740	172	8,727	569	31,460	460	21,549	11,996,500	1,366,252	386,500	1
2	1,190	4,210	1,239	154	2,454	21,827	489	2,446	52	97	2,248	305	30	5	35	50	89	5,185	182	12,868	167	8,519	4,897,575	538,700	200,000	2
3	1,181	1,939	1,458	153	1,664	21,068	178	753	27	83	1,420	3,022	38	4	208	129	22	652	141	3,966	125	4,008	1,413,252	329,302	42,000	3
4	2,059	4,720	1,809	139	3,035	30,922	2,002	3,485	8	19	406	2,124	26	5	51	265	42	2,363	159	8,211	145	6,143	3,539,675	514,610	11,300	4
5	1,439	1,471	976	87	954	9,070	445	771	15	104	1,171	786	13	...	196	115	16	628	85	3,226	77	2,545	871,300	181,515	53,300	5
6	1,421	9,500	1,333	159	3 368	39,282	2,019	3,831	9	31	765	3,503	47	2	124	225	21	1,680	166	7,930	174	8,262	2,633,050	422,750	27,200	6
**7	2,961	2,177	153	103	1,174	10,501	680	803	1	3	25	325	8	...	59	71	14	575	103	2,978	67	2,366	1,057,000	253,790	23,250	**7
8	3,256	19,042	1,337	275	4,652	46,900	1,612	4,479	24	107	1,922	2,550	53	4	245	421	105	4,626	367	15,711	219	6,615	5,660,074	675,725	21,800	8
*9	2,004	7,152	779	144	3,280	33,374	4,405	3,802	18	65	878	2,329	39	3	64	232	76	4,405	199	9,736	148	5,580	4,164,300	537,200	85,450	*9
10	3,282	5,671	1,583	132	2,169	23,218	1,421	2,255	10	23	555	1,993	23	...	65	221	29	2,538	125	5,077	77	3,201	2,248,900	309,589	.....	10
11	3,920	18,075	6,118	295	4,599	45,825	3,360	6,674	34	156	2,343	4,136	57	10	150	389	102	4,194	378	14,554	293	10,658	5,558,900	834,310	164,850	11
12	739	3,262	199	72	966	8,627	495	792	2	2	15	279	11	1	46	78	22	547	100	2,916	44	1,096	874,150	141,000	.....	12
13	2,199	11,913	1,366	110	2,192	21,766	660	2,591	9	21	426	1,535	36	2	96	178	62	2,311	211	7,312	147	4,270	2,205,000	367,500	12,700	13
*14	218	110	176	20	95	1,009	.....	78	.....	.....	.....	71	3	...	.....	1	2	99	13	503	7	317	79,500	31,200	4,700	*14
15	547	2,491	370	86	1,403	12,450	685	1,233	10	33	660	694	20	...	50	87	10	417	75	2,456	64	2,419	817,925	126,700	.....	15
16	52	28	26	7	41	286	15	5	.....	.....	.....	4	1	...	4	7	1	14	7	64	1	10	10,900	1,500	.....	16
17	243	2,186	200	29	522	4,729	140	723	1	1	25	62	10	1	27	98	13	451	60	1,938	36	1,204	702,033	136,100	5,000	17
18	1,089	4,147	414	68	102	9,354	271	948	7	14	239	453	13	3	25	78	23	1,102	91	3,552	58	1,552	1,396,200	179,426	10,000	18
19	253	565	260	24	315	2,400	65	212	2	13	120	152	5	...	16	24	7	281	33	1,040	17	512	405,150	68,500	7,000	19
20	923	605	204	58	642	4,529	80	409	26	25	646	264	22	1	20	10	5	313	32	2,121	27	1,471	748,450	136,800	7,400	20
21	901	1,805	1,047	79	1,614	17,959	1,177	1 704	8	22	404	900	17	1	40	103	30	2,135	94	4,234	68	2,967	1,589,900	175,750	.....	21
22	1,260	2,569	225	41	614	4,947	152	604	1	7	30	160	2	1	10	120	16	556	62	2,224	47	1,176	789,600	152,150	.....	22
23	445	3,481	349	51	767	5,950	491	904	1	5	30	788	16	...	80	155	18	635	79	2,642	56	1,674	970,800	140,200	13,000	23
*24	866	.....	.....	31	359	3,671	10	188	9	9	369	160	8	...	14	6	8	345	34	1,696	22	812	438,150	65,700	15,600	24
25	976	1,332	63	73	407	3,824	.....	70	35	41	644	276	9	...	12	25	1	25	47	1,259	27	928	440,600	178,300	17,050	25
26	517	1,332	204	33	357	2,782	196	361	5	26	305	191	5	...	3	64	9	211	50	1,724	29	688	852,050	30,800	.....	26
27	121	671	93	17	161	1,166	141	159	2	13	168	55	2	...	.....	31	5	124	24	580	12	276	144,500	21,000	.....	27
28	849	3,778	1,049	59	1,163	9,937	295	1,526	10	30	591	1,345	28	...	23	178	29	1,231	82	3,445	100	2,916	1,394,775	170,900	108,100	28
*29	.....	.....	.....	39	102	1,396	.....	.....	36	39	1,251	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	142	5	188	241,197	.....	.....	*29
‡30	258	1,042	241	26	213	1,752	.....	192	5	5	105	172	27	...	11	55	9	160	32	838	23	507	231,250	47,900	2,300	‡30
31	1,152	3,544	2,594	67	1,762	16,365	436	3,174	18	82	1,107	656	24	2	33	159	48	2,785	102	5,600	102	3,426	2,542,195	292,000	82,500	31
32	174	127	53	16	166	1,331	108	20	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	15	582	5	260	182,025	34,400	.....	32
33	2,265	6,837	1,598	147	2,280	19,905	1,463	3,118	27	97	1,513	1,543	30	...	42	149	73	2,738	216	8,282	175	5,176	3,439,900	512,925	117,500	33
34	420	618	105	16	164	1,097	12	219	.....	.....	.....	32	4	...	7	11	2	42	19	465	16	482	174,180	46,900	.....	34
*35	792	1,135	116	29	393	3,161	61	326	.....	.....	.....	191	3	...	10	28	8	242	29	834	20	507	413,200	61,000	.....	*35
*36	.....	.....	.....	35	35	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	2	...	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	383,000	.....	.....	*36
	47,622	141,516	31,651	3,445	55,111	550,707	28,044	59,088	474	1375	24,344	34,601	730	60	1,984	4,513	1,089	51,977	3,986	172,166	3,060	114,280	65,507,156	9,082,394	1,418,500	
	36,966	118,139	21,454	3,682	54,268	522,691	26,142	52,148	375	954	17,534	34,034	582	45	1,712	4,292	967	47,052	3,618	154,089	2,694	106,842	63,193,694	8,138,433	878,400	
	10,656	23,377	10,197	.....	843	28,016	1,902	6,940	99	421	6,810	567	148	15	272	221	122	4,925	368	18,077	366	7,438	2,313,462	943,961	540,100	
	.....	.....	.....	237	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

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FINANCIAL

Index Number	Valuation of Church Property				Congregational Expenses			Congegational Benevolence										Summary		Index Number
								Apportioned			Unapportioned									
	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Paid	Excess	Deficit	Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Inner Missions	Women's Missionary Society	Other Benevolence	Total Unapportioned Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures	
	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	
1	703,897	611,361	15,064,510	1,081,771	1,141,505	655,861	1,797,366	269,459	2,335	127,077	11,438	14,517	3,134	29,913	28,528	85,782	173,312	442,771	2,240,137	1
2	75,175	201,334	5,912,784	432,585	439,583	210,963	650,546	57,409	760	12,229	11,468	1,930	609	8,504	750	41,087	64,348	121,757	772,303	2
3	7,225	371,095	2,162,874	181,152	177,650	151,066	328,716	45,197	538	3,573	5,038	5,168	3,315	3,999	9,979	20,923	48,422	93,619	422,335	3
4	63,095	164,000	4,292,680	262,387	220,695	152,220	372,915	52,344	4,721	8,351	8,866	9,671	4,315	9,436	11,871	26,743	70,902	123,246	496,161	4
5	41,500	15,650	1,163,265	44,565	77,990	39,112	117,102	23,959	43	10,844	8,306	6,046	2,923	3,923	6,795	4,762	32,755	56,714	173,816	5
6	199,850	151,891	3,434,741	79,505	285,682	103,967	389,649	83,054	.....	20,016	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,493	40,447	55,940	138,994	528,643	6
**7	58,918	21,500	1,414,458	73,840	102,360	70,295	172,655	26,152	219	10,161	2,095	4,516	533	4,599	5,019	8,468	25,230	51,382	224,037	**7
*8	109,825	295,861	6,763,285	527,213	562,993	329,220	892,213	154,263	5,034	32,996	48,487	22,455	7,756	13,549	21,047	40,462	153,756	308,019	1,200,232	8
*9	108,785	411,500	5,307,235	490,765	430,053	214,101	644,154	95,825	16,150	9,957	14,908	15,928	6,040	15,775	18,419	37,136	108,206	204,031	848,185	*9
10	29,027	23,993	2,611,509	220,423	214,314	258,846	473,160	69,741	11,093	1,890	6,369	6,223	3,531	7,492	14,487	8,961	47,063	116,804	589,964	10
11	171,510	371,725	7,101,295	631,639	571,814	407,668	979,482	141,628	.....	†33,214	41,252	13,783	13,207	56,017	30,241	62,128	216,628	358,256	1,337,738	11
12	18,000	50,700	1,083,850	81,884	109,599	48,350	157,949	27,030	1,398	4,828	19,393	2,051	3,655	1,925	3,257	8,063	38,344	65,374	223,323	12
13	19,351	141,887	2,746,438	249,689	301,851	158,381	460,232	64,666	349	6,808	22,760	8,800	3,973	10,867	9,923	17,583	73,906	138,572	598,804	13
*14	.....	2,500	117,900	2,570	87,075	30,682	117,757	1,738	.....	2,793	401	16	222	72	7	1,787	2,505	4,243	23,317	*14
15	16,000	16,575	977,200	6,697	2,129	730	2,859	27,667	2,972	4,762	5,343	1,622	396	1,154	4,372	5,045	17,932	45,599	163,356	15
16	.....	4,069	16,469	.....	91,896	32,707	124,603	479	54	636	18	13	63	42	15	216	367	846	3,705	16
17	5,000	36,000	884,133	214,607	150,438	108,945	259,383	12,113	50	6,716	2,019	1,207	1,330	488	1,570	1,422	8,036	20,149	144,752	17
18	2,850	63,738	1,652,214	200,993	48,022	27,566	75,588	26,052	114	13,506	10,489	3,460	1,222	1,621	2,866	4,600	24,258	50,310	309,693	18
19	11,300	52,700	544,650	110,312	89,176	51,084	140,260	9,845	48	2,190	608	613	1,119	443	1,478	3,510	7,771	17,616	93,204	19
20	1,325	24,625	918,600	42,190	160,622	257,053	417,675	20,491	.....	22,725	1,592	668	170	240	405	7,024	10,099	30,590	170,850	20
21	38,000	50,450	1,854,100	202,792	92,005	48,208	140,213	43,612	740	6,261	12,446	5,027	1,340	1,935	6,093	13,420	40,261	83,873	501,548	21
22	3,000	22,150	966,900	50,792	113,253	43,067	156,320	16,724	127	2,532	3,317	1,053	407	1,328	2,461	3,130	11,696	28,420	168,633	22
23	1,100	120,670	1,245,770	69,685	53,148	35,578	88,726	22,658	256	4,627	10,210	3,654	4,044	1,434	3,685	5,109	28,136	50,794	207,114	23
*24	1,045	10,400	530,895	60,400	79,824	20,988	100,811	8,132	724	861	1,242	705	818	483	1,404	2,566	7,248	15,380	104,106	*24
25	.....	12,205	648,155	11,400	71,302	17,003	88,305	11,395	104	1,905	4,086	541	437	737	471	18,970	25,242	36,637	137,448	25
26	7,300	11,883	902,033	63,514	23,945	17,858	41,803	11,411	75	4,310	140	504	.....	947	3,374	10,202	15,167	26,578	114,883	26
27	.....	42,025	207,525	41,700	181,785	122,007	303,792	5,008	129	547	163	463	132	257	845	1,809	3,669	8,677	50,480	27
28	2,500	58,156	1,734,431	382,136	40,426	.....	40,426	35,860	.....	.....	5,148	2,025	2,304	8,460	7,687	10,415	36,039	71,899	375,691	28
*29	.....	.....	241,197	.....	16,317	24,223	40,540	.....	.....	.....	3,629	1,042	1,042	.....	.....	5,646	11,359	11,359	51,785	*29
‡30	.....	45,600	327,050	79,941	349,206	162,767	511,973	3,077	378	1,311	1,160	58	93	270	490	977	3,048	6,125	46,665	‡30
31	24,156	244,266	3,185,117	439,337	14,812	5,317	20,129	63,732	1,788	1,006	4,517	8,184	2,545	17,532	7,539	25,590	65,907	129,639	641,612	31
32	.....	500	216,925	19,725	349,718	136,247	485,965	2,992	.....	676	48	95	36	.....	240	696	1,115	4,107	24,236	32
33	90,205	109,425	4,269,955	354,548	29,314	7,562	36,876	52,485	.....	.....	7,752	6,653	1,076	10,407	7,939	18,808	52,635	105,120	591,085	33
34	28,100	12,000	261,180	75,490	41,467	31,746	73,213	4,377	.....	2,768	109	211	89	40	518	815	1,782	6,159	43,035	34
*35	2,500	41,050	517,750	87,195	20,000	.....	20,000	10,217	235	2,871	1,570	552	319	367	1,482	1,389	5,679	15,896	89,109	*35
*36	.....	.....	383,000	23,200	.....	.....	.....	524	.....	.....	15	50	.....	.....	.....	136	201	725	20,725	*36
	1,840,539	3,813,484	81,662,073	6,896,642	6,759,187	3,983,243	10,742,430	1,501,316	50,434	364,980	276,402	149,504	72,225	214,256	230,750	545,827	1,488,964	2,990,280	13,732,710	
	1,895,798	2,400,790	76,507,115	6,011,472	6,621,268	3,835,125	10,456,403	1,440,132	62,601	342,307	569,521	140,190	66,369	240,927	190,038	694,615	1,901,660	3,341,792	13,798,195	
	.....	1,412,694	5,154,958	885,170	137,919	148,118	286,027	61,184	.....	22,673	.....	9,314	5,856	.....	40,712	.....	.....	.....	.....	
	55,259	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,627	.....	293,119	.....	.....	26,671	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

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Index Number	SYNODS	When Organized	Pastors	Parishes	Congregations	Membership						Accessions										Index Number
						Baptized		Confirmed		Communing		Children				Adults						
												Baptized		Otherwise		Baptism		Confirmation		Certificate		
	1	2	3	4	5	6		7		8		9		10		11		12		13		
						Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		
						Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	
1	Ministerium of Pa.	Aug. 15, 1748	423	356	582	577	5	577	5	577	5	536	46	168	414	171	411	417	165	376	206	1
2	Ministerium of N. Y.	Oct. 23, 1786	162	134	145	—	—	—	—	113	32	120	25	—	—	41	104	108	37	—	—	2
3	United Synod of N. C.	May 2, 1803	114	98	211	181	30	207	4	183	28	‡123	‡88	1	210	‡41	‡170	117	94	55	156	3
4	Synod of Maryland	Oct. 11, 1820	116	98	136	135	1	135	1	134	1	115	21	39	97	62	74	105	31	96	40	4
5	Synod of S. Carolina	Jan. 14, 1824	57	49	89	89	0	89	0	89	0	75	14	15	74	21	68	63	26	48	41	5
6	Synod of West Pennsylvania	Sept. 5, 1825	102	88	158	158	0	158	0	158	0	135	23	37	121	79	79	122	36	110	48	6
7	Synod of Virginia	Aug. 10, 1829	41	30	58	58	0	58	0	54	4	38	20	12	46	33	25	30	28	37	21	7
8	Synod of Ohio	Nov. 7, 1836	216	184	290	282	8	282	8	282	8	208	82	82	208	158	142	170	120	163	127	8
9	East Pennsylvania Synod	May 2, 1842	150	118	149	149	0	149	0	149	0	138	11	41	108	74	75	112	27	105	44	9
10	Alleghany Synod	Sept. 9, 1842	82	70	149	146	3	149	0	148	1	100	49	26	123	73	76	93	56	78	71	10
11	Southwestern Virginia Synod	Sept. 20, 1842	28	26	67	59	8	67	0	46	21	27	50	4	63	18	49	14	53	18	49	19
12	Pittsburgh Synod	Jan. 15, 1845	254	213	313	313	0	313	0	308	5	262	51	148	165	142	171	221	92	189	124	12
13	Indiana Synod	Oct. 28, 1848	49	54	75	71	4	75	0	75	0	52	23	13	62	32	43	46	29	36	39	13
14	Illinois Synod	Sept. 8, 1851	126	98	130	129	1	129	1	129	1	102	28	52	78	77	53	83	47	76	54	14
*15	Texas Synod	Nov. 10, 1851	13	19	19	14	5	14	5	16	3	17	2	2	17	5	14	10	9	4	15	*15
16	Synod of Central Pennsylvania	Feb. 21, 1855	32	35	88	88	0	88	0	88	0	65	23	16	72	34	54	51	37	46	42	16
17	Mississippi Synod	July 25, 1855	6	5	14	14	0	14	0	13	1	7	7	4	10	2	12	5	9	2	12	17
18	Synod of Iowa	Sept. 3, 1855	31	27	30	29	1	29	1	29	1	26	4	10	20	20	10	22	8	19	11	18
19	Michigan Synod	Oct. 27, 1855	51	45	86	85	1	86	0	85	1	38	48	9	77	30	56	31	55	28	58	19
20	Synod of Georgia	July 20, 1860	23	19	32	26	6	32	0	22	10	23	9	7	25	18	14	17	15	20	12	20
*21	Holston Synod	Dec. 29, 1860	8	12	25	17	8	17	8	14	11	13	12	0	25	4	21	18	7	6	19	*21
*22	Synod of Canada	July 21, 1861	45	41	73	73	0	73	0	73	0	64	9	16	57	11	62	44	29	19	54	*22
23	Susquehanna Synod	Nov. 5, 1867	48	46	79	79	0	79	0	79	0	65	14	28	51	41	38	48	31	46	33	23
24	Synod of Kansas	Nov. 5, 1868	48	36	42	39	3	39	3	39	3	34	8	18	21	23	19	30	12	25	17	24
25	Synod of Nebraska	Sept. 1, 1871	47	44	55	55	0	55	0	39	16	36	19	19	36	24	21	31	24	29	26	25
**26	Wartburg Synod	1875	50	48	51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	**26
27	German Nebraska Synod	July 24, 1890	84	78	108	94	14	94	14	93	15	65	43	16	92	9	99	42	66	13	95	27
28	Synod of California	April 2, 1891	53	32	32	31	1	31	1	32	0	29	3	17	15	12	20	23	9	23	9	28
29	Rocky Mountain Synod	May 6, 1891	18	15	17	17	0	17	0	17	0	10	7	4	13	4	13	8	9	8	9	39
30	Synod of the Northwest	Sept. 22, 1891	69	59	69	65	4	65	4	64	5	57	12	51	18	40	29	49	20	36	33	30
31	Manitoba Synod	July 16, 1897	33	29	61	56	5	56	5	—	—	[a]53	[a]8	—	—	[a]—	[a]—	38	23	—	—	31
32	Pacific Synod	Sept. 26, 1901	21	24	25	22	3	23	2	22	3	21	4	11	14	9	16	17	8	11	14	32
33	N. Y. and N. E. Synod	Sept 23, 1902	81	63	63	56	7	60	3	56	7	57	6	32	31	42	21	56	7	49	14	33
34	Nova Scotia Synod	Sept. 10, 1903	8	8	29	25	4	25	4	21	4	22	3	0	29	2	27	12	17	2	27	34
35	Synod of New York	Oct. 7, 1908	148	136	158	151	7	152	6	144	7	113	45	42	116	62	96	97	61	75	83	35
36	Central Canada Synod	Nov. 11, 1908	14	13	17	16	1	16	1	15	2	14	3	—	—	3	14	11	6	6	11	36
37	Synod of West Virginia	April 17, 1912	16	19	39	39	0	39	0	39	0	24	15	8	28	20	19	20	19	16	23	37
*38	Slovak "Zion" Synod	June 10, 1919	20	23	39	26	13	26	13	26	13	12	27	0	39	0	39	5	34	0	39	*38
	Totals		2,887	2,492	3,803	3,464	143	3,518	89	3,471	208	2,896	862	948	2,575	1,437	2,254	2,386	1,356	1,870	1,676	

Reporting Pittsburgh Synod: *Parochial Schools—Number, 2; Teachers, 2; Scholars, 49.

NOTES.—No rubric in Parochial Report.
*From detailed report submitted by statistical secretary on Assembly sheet.
**Minutes do not contain Parochial Report.

‡Twenty-six reported under rubric "Baptisms," 51 did not report.
[a] Only one rubric for baptisms.
[b] Only one rubric for deaths.

PAROCHIAL

Index Number	Accessions Adult		Losses								Church Papers						*Church Schools								Index Number
			Child				Adult										Sunday								
	Otherwise 14		Death 15		Otherwise 16		Death 17		Certificate 18		Otherwise 19		No. Sub. to Synodical Papers 20		No. S. S. Papers Ordered 21		No. Sub. to Other Church Papers 22		Number 23		Officers and Teachers 24		Scholars 25		Home Department 26		
	Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		
	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	
1	249	333	269	313	164	418	488	94	391	191	267	315	254	338	128	454	109	473	537	45	524	58	526	56	125	457	1
2	77	68	*b*—	*b*—	—	—	*b*107	*b*38	—	—	64	81	—	—	—	—	—	—	122	23	122	23	122	23	—	—	2
3	49	162	13	198	13	198	66	145	100	111	14	197	49	162	32	179	21	190	144	67	143	68	144	67	4	197	3
4	63	73	50	86	32	104	99	37	81	55	51	85	69	67	43	73	27	109	132	4	132	4	132	4	38	198	4
5	11	78	29	60	15	74	38	51	44	45	21	68	61	28	30	59	10	79	86	3	85	4	83	6	10	79	5
6	67	91	43	115	37	121	122	36	117	41	83	75	53	105	38	120	27	131	158	0	158	0	158	0	96	62	6
7	10	48	11	47	7	51	38	20	41	17	15	43	41	17	18	40	6	52	54	4	53	5	54	4	14	44	7
8	104	186	59	231	61	229	184	106	186	104	177	113	135	155	192	98	30	260	271	19	271	19	271	19	63	227	8
9	72	77	52	97	37	112	118	31	108	41	72	77	68	81	57	92	37	112	141	8	137	12	141	8	99	50	9
10	51	98	33	116	19	130	85	64	80	69	44	105	78	71	47	102	41	108	126	23	126	23	123	23	73	76	10
11	7	60	9	58	4	63	20	47	18	49	6	61	27	40	8	59	2	65	46	21	46	21	46	21	9	58	11
12	156	157	119	194	110	213	217	96	205	108	148	165	154	159	182	131	113	200	290	23	290	23	290	23	115	198	12
13	29	46	12	63	9	66	41	34	35	40	28	47	27	48	39	36	12	63	63	12	59	16	63	12	18	57	13
14	74	56	31	199	43	187	73	57	82	48	70	60	66	64	88	42	46	84	112	18	110	20	110	18	34	96	14
*15	5	14	6	13	9	10	2	17	2	17	4	15	11	8	2	17	7	12	16	3	14	5	16	3	0	19	*15
16	25	63	18	70	16	72	55	33	48	40	22	66	42	46	26	62	19	69	85	3	84	4	84	4	44	44	16
17	5	9	0	14	2	12	2	12	4	10	4	10	8	6	2	12	0	14	8	6	8	6	8	6	0	14	17
18	22	8	10	20	10	20	17	13	19	11	16	14	16	14	23	7	16	14	29	1	28	2	28	2	6	24	18
19	24	62	15	71	10	76	34	52	32	54	19	67	32	54	38	48	19	67	54	32	53	33	54	32	16	70	19
20	7	25	3	29	6	26	14	18	15	17	10	22	12	20	11	21	13	19	23	9	19	13	23	9	1	31	20
*21	0	25	2	23	1	24	14	11	7	18	0	25	2	23	1	24	2	23	13	12	11	14	11	14	1	24	*21
*22	17	56	29	44	13	60	56	17	15	58	15	58	37	36	11	62	13	60	56	17	58	17	56	17	2	71	*22
23	33	46	23	56	16	63	56	23	49	30	21	58	28	51	23	56	11	68	78	1	78	1	78	1	46	33	23
24	20	22	11	31	11	31	26	16	18	24	22	20	30	12	30	12	11	31	38	4	38	4	36	6	9	33	24
25	25	30	12	43	11	44	22	33	23	32	33	22	22	33	32	23	20	35	51	4	49	6	49	6	11	44	25
**26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26
27	19	89	25	83	11	97	39	69	10	98	15	93	57	51	24	84	15	93	64	44	64	44	64	44	3	105	27
28	21	11	5	27	16	16	13	19	17	15	22	10	22	10	20	12	14	18	30	2	30	2	30	2	8	24	28
29	7	10	5	12	6	11	6	11	6	11	7	10	6	11	9	8	6	11	9	8	9	8	9	8	4	13	29
30	57	12	24	45	37	32	36	33	40	29	41	28	26	43	44	25	19	50	56	13	56	13	56	13	7	62	30
31	—	—	*b*—	*b*—	—	—	*b*48	*b*13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	23	37	24	38	23	—	—	31
32	17	8	5	20	10	15	8	17	7	18	12	13	16	9	18	7	8	17	24	1	21	4	21	4	1	24	32
33	45	18	28	35	24	39	50	13	43	20	44	19	27	36	24	39	22	41	57	6	57	6	55	8	8	55	33
34	1	28	10	19	1	28	12	17	7	22	2	27	19	12	5	24	0	29	14	15	14	15	14	15	0	29	34
35	64	94	39	119	44	114	95	63	88	70	72	86	83	75	67	91	40	118	135	23	134	24	135	23	49	109	35
36	8	9	—	—	—	—	12	5	6	11	6	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	2	15	2	15	2	0	17	36
37	8	31	11	28	10	29	18	21	18	21	12	27	33	6	15	24	9	30	28	11	28	11	28	11	5	34	37
*38	1	38	0	39	0	39	6	33	0	39	0	39	0	39	0	39	0	39	35	4	35	4	7	32	0	39	*38
	1,450	2,241	1,011	2,618	815	2,824	2,337	1,415	1,962	1,584	1,459	2,232	1,611	1,930	1,327	2,182	745	2,784	3,239	514	3,194	529	3,181	514	1,004	2,669	

Index Number	Schools								Catechumens 31		Students								Church Societies								Index Number
	Other Weekday										Ministry 32		Deaconess 33		In Lutheran Institutions 34		In Non-Lutheran Institutions 35		Men's				Women's				
	Cradle Roll 27		Number 28		Teachers 29		Scholars 30												Number 36		Members 37		Number 38		Members 39		
	Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		
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1	290	292	48	534	48	534	50	532	190	392	69	513	10	572	107	475	204	378	142	440	142	440	364	218	360	222	1
2	—	—	54	91	54	91	54	91	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	72	73	—	—	121	24	2
3	21	190	8	193	5	196	7	194	88	123	25	186	2	199	62	149	52	159	23	188	21	190	105	106	104	107	3
4	80	56	3	133	3	133	3	133	87	49	17	119	3	133	30	106	42	94	33	103	33	103	100	36	100	36	4
5	29	70	6	83	6	83	6	83	64	25	11	78	0	89	48	41	41	48	24	65	23	66	68	21	66	23	5
6	125	33	4	154	4	154	—	154	114	44	35	123	4	154	51	107	53	105	22	136	22	136	92	66	92	66	6
7	26	32	1	157	1	57	1	57	17	41	4	54	1	57	8	50	19	39	5	53	5	53	37	21	36	22	7
8	125	165	12	278	12	278	12	278	118	172	38	252	3	287	86	204	103	187	93	197	93	197	203	87	203	87	8
9	114	35	15	134	15	134	15	134	82	67	26	123	3	146	40	109	56	93	66	83	63	86	116	33	114	35	9
10	88	61	6	143	6	143	6	143	66	83	18	131	2	147	30	119	37	112	31	118	28	121	67	82	66	83	10
11	17	50	2	65	2	65	2	65	13	54	4	63	0	67	21	46	10	57	5	62	5	62	32	45	30	47	11
12	190	123	17	196	17	196	17	196	242	71	37	276	3	310	79	234	120	193	88	225	88	225	236	77	236	77	12
13	30	45	0	75	0	75	0	75	14	61	11	64	0	75	20	55	19	56	19	56	18	57	50	25	45	30	13
14	70	60	6	124	6	124	6	124	49	81	15	115	1	129	33	197	49	81	54	76	54	76	100	30	100	30	14
15	3	16	0	19	0	19	0	19	5	14	2	17	0	19	0	19	1	18	2	17	2	17	13	6	13	6	*15
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17	0	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	14	1	13	0	14	1	13	4	10	0	14	0	14	3	11	3	11	17
18	20	10	1	29	1	29	1	29	8	22	7	23	0	30	8	22	14	16	12	18	12	18	24	6	23	7	18
19	41	45	3	83	3	83	3	83	19	67	3	83	0	86	10	76	25	61	27	59	27	59	52	34	52	35	19
20	7	25	3	29	3	29	3	29	12	20	4	28	0	32	6	26	10	22	10	22	10	22	19	13	18	14	20
*21	1	24	0	25	0	25	0	25	4	21	0	25	0	25	1	24	4	21	4	21	2	23	11	14	9	16	*21
*22	6	67	22	51	22	51	22	51	22	51	14	59	2	71	16	57	10	63	2	71	2	71	28	85	28	45	*22
23	58	21	1	78	1	78	1	78	52	27	13	66	1	78	20	59	27	52	26	53	26	53	50	29	49	30	23
24	25	17	3	39	3	39	3	39	34	8	2	40	0	40	10	32	24	18	13	29	13	29	36	6	36	6	24
25	30	25	0	55	0	55	0	55	29	26	6	49	1	54	19	36	19	36	18	37	18	37	46	9	46	9	25
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27	2	06	29	79	29	79	30	78	27	81	6	102	—	—	12	96	9	99	2	106	2	106	37	71	37	71	27
28	17	15	4	28	4	28	4	28	24	8	4	28	0	32	1	31	13	19	9	23	9	23	29	3	29	3	28
29	8	9	1	16	1	16	1	16	7	10	1	16	0	17	1	16	6	12	5	12	5	12	9	8	9	8	29
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35	92	26	15	143	13	145	15	143	61	97	18	140	1	157	22	136	47	111	60	98	59	99	128	30	127	31	35
36	10	67	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	10	2	15	0	17	5	12	5	12	3	14	3	14	16	1	16	1	36
37	12	27	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	26	3	36	—	—	7	32	9	30	6	33	6	33	20	19	20	19	37
*38	0	39	0	39	0	39	0	39	1	38	1	38	0	39	0	38	2	37	0	39	0	39	0	39	0	39	*38
	1,684	1,872	328	3,244	323	3,249	330	3,242	1,602	1,944	432	3,114	41	3,321	807	2,838	1,142	2,404	895	2,651	953	2,738	2,282	1,335	2,375	1,388	

Index Number	Church Societies Young People				Valuation of Church Property												Congregational Expenses						Index Number
	Number 40		Members 41		Church Edifices 42		Parsonages 43		School and Parish Houses 44		Endowment 45		Other Property 46		Total Valuation 47		Indebtedness 48		Current 49		Unusual 50		Total 51		
	Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		Congregations		
	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	Reporting	Not Reporting	
1	302	280	288	294	565	17	264	218	24	558	103	479	91	491	561	21	170	412	566	16	371	211	566	16	1
2	—	—	104	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	121	24	77	68	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
3	85	126	83	128	159	52	82	129	4	197	3	198	8	193	157	1	21	190	165	46	99	112	165	46	3
4	80	56	80	56	130	6	74	62	4	132	27	109	19	117	132	4	36	100	124	12	98	38	124	12	4
5	63	26	61	28	87	2	59	30	4	85	3	86	5	84	88	1	22	67	87	2	5	38	87	1	5
6	106	52	106	52	158	0	98	60	4	154	33	125	19	139	158	0	21	137	158	0	95	63	158	0	6
7	17	41	17	41	57	1	31	27	2	56	10	48	8	50	57	1	5	53	57	1	36	22	57	1	7
8	124	166	123	167	269	21	147	143	3	287	34	256	21	269	272	18	63	227	262	28	172	118	262	28	8
9	102	47	99	50	146	3	84	65	9	140	28	121	19	130	148	1	60	89	143	6	104	45	143	6	9
10	56	93	53	96	148	1	81	68	1	148	15	134	11	138	147	2	21	128	137	12	80	69	136	13	10
11	20	57	20	57	64	3	19	48	1	67	10	57	2	65	66	1	9	58	50	17	25	42	46	21	11
12	171	142	171	142	307	6	153	160	7	306	43	270	34	279	309	4	101	212	298	15	201	112	299	14	12
13	24	51	23	52	69	6	39	36	0	75	9	66	6	69	71	4	14	61	67	8	44	31	67	8	13
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18	16	14	16	14	27	3	17	13	0	30	1	29	1	29	25	5	16	14	25	5	23	7	24	6	18
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*21	4	21	2	23	18	7	9	16	0	25	5	20	0	25	18	7	4	21	20	5	9	16	20	5	*21
*22	22	51	22	51	72	1	41	32	5	68	3	70	17	56	73	0	8	65	72	1	33	40	73	0	*22
23	40	39	40	39	79	0	45	34	0	79	12	67	4	75	79	0	12	67	70	9	43	36	70	9	23
24	28	14	28	14	39	3	29	14	1	41	3	39	4	38	39	3	11	31	39	3	31	11	39	3	24
25	32	23	32	23	53	2	32	23	0	55	1	54	5	50	55	0	18	37	52	3	25	30	52	3	25
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27	22	86	22	86	90	18	65	43	14	94	2	106	20	88	90	18	7	101	69	39	53	55	69	39	27
28	21	11	21	11	31	1	8	24	—	—	3	29	3	29	32	0	15	17	30	2	25	7	30	2	28
29	7	10	7	10	15	2	6	11	0	17	0	17	2	15	17	0	6	11	10	7	7	10	10	7	29
30	44	25	44	25	54	15	30	39	3	66	1	68	7	62	55	14	—	—	57	12	47	22	57	12	30
31	8	53	8	53	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	19	46	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	31
32	13	12	13	12	21	4	11	14	3	22	0	25	2	23	22	3	13	12	21	4	18	7	21	4	32
33	49	14	48	15	44	19	29	34	5	58	5	58	18	45	57	6	57	6	50	13	50	13	56	7	33
34	6	23	6	23	24	5	8	21	0	29	0	29	1	28	24	5	7	22	25	4	13	16	25	4	34
35	99	59	98	60	145	13	91	67	8	150	36	122	20	138	146	12	47	111	141	17	103	55	141	17	35
36	14	3	14	3	16	1	12	5	—	—	5	12	—	—	16	1	9	8	16	1	4	13	—	—	36
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†Unapportioned benevolence (W. Pa.).

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIFTIETH CONVENTION

of the

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 17, 1922.

The Fiftieth Convention of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America assembled in Christus Church, Rev. T. H. Becker, Pastor, the time and place having been selected by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America, and notice given for two months in *The Lutheran* by the Secretary. The Rev. V. G. A. Tressler, Ph. D., D. D., presided. The hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign" was sung. Psalm 91 was read responsively. Rev. G. A. Getty, D. D., offered prayer. The Secretary, Rev. Frank P. Manhart, reported having regular credentials from a majority of the constituent synods, and that a quorum was present.

The following is the roll of delegates:

1—Maryland

Rev. J. S. Simon, D.D.	Mr. F. W. Kakel
Rev. H. H. Beidelman	Mr. Frank Smith
Rev. Robert D. Clare, D.D.	Mr. L. Russell Alden, Esq.
Rev. A. R. Wentz, Ph.D., D.D.	Harry T. Domer, Litt.D.
Rev. John Weidley, D.D.	Mr. W. W. Doub
Rev. L. M. Zimmerman, D.D.	Mr. S. C. Stoner
Rev. F. U. Gift, D.D.	Mr. T. P. Hickman
Rev. S. T. Nicholas, D.D.	Mr. E. W. Herman
Rev. Richard Schmidt	Mr. W. K. Beard
Rev. Henry Manken, Jr.	Mr. J. H. Michael

2—West Pennsylvania

Rev. H. B. Stock, D.D.	Mr. George E. Neff
Rev. A. R. Steck, D.D.	Mr. A. R. Nissley
Rev. C. E. Arnold	Mr. L. C. Lesher
Rev. G. A. Getty, D.D.	Mr. W. L. Gladfelter
Rev. Henry Anstadt, D.D.	Mr. P. A. Elsesser
Rev. Albert Bell, D.D.	Mr. H. G. Seeling
Rev. E. C. Ruby	Mr. W. C. Seitz
Rev. J. A. Clutz, D.D., LL.D.	Prof. J. G. Stahley, M.D.
Rev. Luther Kuhlman, D.D.	Mr. G. E. Holtzapple

3—East Ohio

Rev. A. H. Smith, D.D.	Prof. Carl Meyer
Rev. E. W. Simon, D.D.	Hon. H. W. Harter, LL.D.
Rev. J. F. Seebach	Mr. F. W. Albrecht
Rev. J. B. Dobbyn, Ph.D.	Mr. J. L. Clark

4—Alleghany

Rev. C. E. Kuhnert	Mr. J. W. Kildow
Rev. J. M. Rearick	Mr. W. B. Miller
Rev. Prof. H. C. Alleman, D.D.	Mr. Fred Samuel
Rev. J. W. Shannon, D.D.	Mr. Charles Fritz
Rev. C. B. Bastian	Mr. M. G. Smith
Rev. F. P. Fisher	Mr. George M. Garner
Rev. Isaac Krider	Mr. W. A. G. Lape

5—East Pennsylvania

Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, D.D.	Mr. E. A. Heffelfinger
Rev. A. Pohlman, D.D.	Mr. R. J. Kalm
Rev. S. S. Diehl	Mr. John Nice
Rev. L. C. Manges, D.D.	Mr. A. D. Chiquoine
Rev. D. E. Rupley	Mr. A. K. Jacks
Rev. J. F. Hartman, D.D.	Mr. J. A. Dehoff
Rev. A. M. Stametts, D.D.	Mr. H. J. Knoll
Rev. Thomas Reisch, D.D.	Mr. George E. Dietterick, M.D.
Rev. G. A. Greiss, D.D.	Mr. Edward Weaver
Rev. Wm. J. Miller	Mr. Wm. T. Voll
Rev. J. H. Musselman, D.D.	Mr. A. M. Landis
Rev. G. Z. Stup	Mr. George W. Radel

6—Miami

Rev. G. B. Schmidtt, D.D.	Mr. W. H. Schauss
Rev. Prof. L. H. Larimer, D.D.	Mr. J. W. Kahler
Rev. E. C. Xander	Mr. A. W. Ulrici

7—Pittsburgh

Rev. E. B. Burgess, D.D.	Mr. Robbin B. Wolf
Rev. Alonzo J. Turkle, D.D.	Mr. Charles F. F. Stifel
Rev. J. Elmer Bittle, D.D.	Mr. John A. Hill
Rev. E. E. Blint, D.D.	Mr. H. C. Hoffman, M.D.
Rev. G. W. Englar, D.D.	Hon. J. W. King
Rev. M. L. Clare, D.D.	Mr. C. J. Mensch
Rev. G. Arthur Fry	Mr. A. F. Landis
Rev. John J. Hill, D.D.	Mr. Charles H. Miller

8—Wittenberg

Rev. Paul W. Koller, D.D.	Hon. J. L. Zimmerman, LL.D.
Rev. R. E. Tulloss, Ph.D., D.D.	Mr. Marwin Lutz
Rev. Prof. V. G. A. Tressler, Ph.D. D.D.	Mr. O. W. Kerns

9—Olive Branch

Rev. W. C. Davis	Mr. Daniel Wertz
Rev. J. P. Miller, D.D.	Mr. E. M. Haas
Rev. J. B. Gardner	Mr. H. C. Hasemeier
Rev. A. E. Renn, D.D.	Mr. J. E. Spiegel

10—Northern Illinois

Rev. J. M. Brankamp, D.D.

11—Central Pennsylvania

Rev. A. H. Spangler, D.D.	Mr. R. M. Krebs
Rev. W. M. Rearick, D.D.	Mr. F. M. Crawford
Rev. J. F. Harkins	Mr. C. M. Bower
Rev. W. J. Schultz	Mr. Irvin Baker

12—Iowa

Rev. J. S. Leamer, D.D.	Mr. U. S. Alderman
Rev. J. O. Simon, D.D.	Mr. H. A. Mohl
Rev. J. A. Miller	Mr. J. A. Behnke

13—Northern Indiana

Rev. L. S. Keyser, D.D.	Mr. C. E. Etnire
Rev. Courtland Miller	Mr. J. H. Keise
Rev. Alonzo B. Garman	Mr. W. A. Reichert
Rev. L. W. Sifferd	Mr. Fred E. Buergen
Rev. J. D. Brosy	Mr. Clifford Houck

14—Central Illinois

Rev. I. W. Bingaman, D.D.

15—Susquehanna

Rev. C. R. Myers	Mr. William Decker
Rev. J. B. Focht, D.D.	Mr. B. F. Apple
Rev. C. R. Bowers, D.D.	Mr. A. M. Hall, M.D.
Rev. N. S. Wolf	Mr. Glenn W. Foulke
Rev. F. P. Manhart, D.D.	

16—Kansas

Rev. B. R. Lantz, D.D.	Mr. L. T. Bang
Rev. C. E. Gardner, D.D.	Mr. J. E. Brewer
Rev. N. D. Goehring	Mr. Carl Brown
Rev. S. S. Kaufman, D.D.	Mr. A. Alberts

17—Nebraska

Rev. C. B. Harman, D.D.	Mr. R. C. Luckey
Rev. C. F. Koch	Mr. J. H. Miller
Rev. J. H. Fetterolf	Mr. G. H. Hasse
Rev. W. I. Guss	Mr. A. E. Hecker
Rev. Wm. T. Kahse	Mr. E. A. Vanfleet

18—Wartburg

Rev. R. Neuman, D.D.	Mr. John Armbruster
Rev. E. Ortlepp, D.D.	Mr. Louis Christensen
Rev. H. F. Werhahn	Mr. George A. Bosch
Rev. George Schultz	Mr. R. J. Meyer
Rev. B. Garten, D.D.	Mr. W. Heim

19—California

Rev. A. H. Derr	Mr. C. B. Runkle
Rev. E. A. Trabert	Mr. C. L. Trabert
Rev. J. E. Hoick	Mr. W. J. Gram

20—German Nebraska

21—Rocky Mountain

Rev. R. B. Wolf	Mr. A. F. Sitloh
Rev. H. I. Kohler	Mr. Charles Bethke

22—Southern Illinois

Rev. C. H. Hightower	Rev. H. L. McGill, D.D.

23—New York

Rev. C. W. Leitzel, D.D.	Hon. E. F. Eilert
Rev. F. H. Knubel, D.D., LL.D.	Mr. J. Decker
Rev. J. H. Meyer	Mr. Albers
Rev. A. E. Dietz, D.D.	Mr. Frank Grumback
Rev. Wagschall, Sr.	Mr. George Witt
Rev. J. E. Heindel, D.D.	Mr. F. H. Wefer
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Rev. J. G. Traver	Mr. George Crocker
Rev. F. E. Oberlander	Mr. Grant Van Hoesen
Rev. J. J. Flanders	Mr. Alonzo Hayner
Rev. E. E. Traver	Mr. H. J. Vanbeck
Rev. O. E. Voight	Mr. Henry Zimmerman
Rev. E. L. Kelly, Ph.D.	Mr. William Reiffel
Rev. E. Von Hahman, Ph.D.	

24—West Virginia

Rev. J. Meyer	Mr. D. W. Reiter
Rev. P. T. Crickenberger	Mr. H. E. Zihlman

President Tressler read a report as follows:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

GENERAL SYNOD

Brethren:

It may not be amiss at this moment to call your attention to the fact that, by the grace of God and through the constituted call of the Church, we are assembled in the Fiftieth Convention of the General Synod of the

Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America. Those hundred years from that first Session at Frederick, Md., in 1821, with its total of ten delegates, presided over by Dr. George Lachmann, of sainted memory, have marked momentous events. Of these, undoubtedly the greatest and most significant has been the achieving of our larger unity in the United Lutheran Church in America, to which the General Synod has been permitted to make so historical and so vital a contribution. A new Ecclesiastical Commencement has been made possible in this strategic and creative time. Though we must decrease, yet He must increase.

The call for and the vested authority of this Convention is found in the Resolutions which were adopted by the General Synod, together with the other general bodies prior to the merger in 1918.

"*Resolved,* That if similar action is taken by the General Council and the United Synod in the South, (1) the General Synod shall promptly, to the fullest extent requested from time to time by a duly authorized committee appointed by the United Lutheran Church in America, (*a*) unite with the General Council and the United Synod in the South in continuing all its activities in and through the United Lutheran Church in America, (*b*) convey, transfer and deliver, and cause to be conveyed, transferred and delivered, all its (the General Synod's) property and rights now and hereafter held in trust and otherwise, to the United Lutheran Church in America, or the appropriate boards, institutions, organizations, or agencies of the United Lutheran Church in America, and (*c*) cause all its (the General Synod's) boards, institutions, organizations and agencies to continue all their activities in and through, and to convey, transfer and deliver, and cause to be conveyed, transferred and delivered, all their property and rights now and hereafter held in trust and otherwise to the United Lutheran Church in America, or the appropriate boards, institutions, organizations, or agencies of the United Lutheran Church in America; and (2) the General Synod shall, after the first Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, act separately only in such matters and to such an extent as the said committee will permit.

"*Resolved,* That if similar action is taken by General Council and the United Synod in the South, (1) the General Synod shall, whenever and as often as requested by the said committee appointed by the United Lutheran Church in America, do all such things and take all such action as the said committee will request from time to time for the purpose of (*a*) carrying the last preceding resolution into effect, and (*b*) facilitating, simplifying and winding up the organization, business and affairs of and dissolving or legally merging the General Synod and any or all of its boards, institutions, organizations and agencies.

"*Resolved,* That after the first Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, the times and places of the conventions of the General Synod shall be appointed exclusively by the said committee."

Under the above authorization the several general bodies have been called to hold their meetings at this time, Tuesday, Oct. 17, 1922.

Under similar authority, the General Synod met at the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C., Oct. 19, 1920, approved necessary amendments to its Constitution, acknowledged official action of its constituent synods approving the merger and received such reports as were necessary at the time. On none of those matters is further action by this body now required.

I report to you the following letter from the Treasurer of the General Synod, which liquidates that treasury in favor of the United Lutheran Church according to the Merger provision.

Richmond, Ind., February 22, 1922.

Dr. V. G. A. Tressler,
Springfield, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Tressler,

I am in receipt of yours of recent date instructing me to forward to Mr. Miller the balance in my hands to the credit of the General Synod Treasury. Pursuant thereto, I am sending him today draft for $438.38, representing said balance as per statement enclosed herewith.

Most sincerely yours,
Jesse A. Wiechman.

Matters before us for present action are first:

1. The presentation of the Synodical Roll by the General Synod's long time and esteemed Secretary, Dr. Frank Manhart.

2. The election of members of Boards in order to perpetuate all legal rights involved in the past life and organization of the General Synod. In this case we recommend the action of two years ago.

(See General Synod Minutes, 1920, Page 545.)

3. The consummation of the Merger in accordance with the general constitutional provisions, in the case of the Pastors' Fund Society. Letters and statements in this connection are now in the hands of your officers. We recommend such consummation and the election of General Synod representatives thereupon.

4. The matter adjusting the relations of the Feghtly Home paper will follow.

5. Other reports or business which may properly come before this Body for its decision or sanction.

6. The election of general officers. Acording to the General Synod Constitution, Article 3, Section 1, of said Constitution reading: "The same person is at all times re-eligible as Secretary and Treasurer, but no one may be elected President except as an ordained minister nor more than twice in succession." Your present President has been so elected, is not, therefore, further eligible and upon its selection of his successor, returns to this Body with deep appreciation the responsibility and obligation thereto attached.

Humbly acknowledging the Divine Leadership in the outstanding years through which we have come, and praying the Great Head of the Church that, in all who have lived in and leaned to this Merger moment, Christ may dwell by Faith; that we, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth and length and depth and height; and to know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that we, too, may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR G. A. TRESSLER,
President General Synod.

The Treasurer of the General Synod reported that he had turned over his balance of $438.38 to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church.

Resolved, That all members of boards are hereby elected according to the action taken in 1920, recorded on page 545 of Minutes.

Pastors' Fund Society

The following committee was appointed to nominate a Board of the Pastors' Fund Society: Rev. H. W. A. Hanson, D. D., Rev. J. H. Musselmann, D. D., Rev. H. B. Stock, D. D. Their report naming the following was adopted:

Rev. M. H. Valentine, D. D.
Rev. A. Pohlman, D. D.
Rev. Edgar Grim Miller, D. D.
Mr. J. H. Brandt.
Mr. J. P. Tustin

The following presented by the trustees was adopted:

Whereas, The Pastors' Fund Society of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church in the United States of America was organized and chartered under the laws of Pennsylvania with the sole object of "the support of disabled or superannuated ministers, their widows and children," on the basis of "*need*" only, and

Whereas, The Board of Ministerial Relief of the United Lutheran Church is now first, a Board of Pensions, with relief of necessitous cases dependent upon an unexpended surplus or on subscriptions contributed specifically for that purpose, *Therefore,* be it *Resolved,* That this General Synod, duly assembled, recommend and request that the Trustees of the Pastors' Fund Society transfer the funds and securities now held by said Society and those acquired in the future, to the Board of Ministerial Relief of the United Lutheran Church in America, in trust, as an Endowment Fund for Relief of Necessitous Cases only, the income of which Endowment Fund shall be disbursed for the relief and support of Lutheran ministers, their widows and dependent children, with a pro rata percentage overhead expense of administration, in conformity with the intent set forth in its Charter, Constitution and By-Laws.

Feghtly Home

A communication from the Inner Mission Board to the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America was read. The trustees of the Feghtly Home were re-elected as follows:

Rev. Wm. L. Guard, D. D.	Mrs. W. H. Bitner.
Rev. D. Frank Garland, D. D.	Mrs. C. B. Herr.
Rev. C. J. Kiefer, D. D.	Mrs. A. R. Garver.
Leonard H. Shipman, Esq.	Mrs. E. L. Crane.
Eric J. Weaver, Esq.	Mrs. Salina Belmer.
Mr. A. L. Harshberger.	Mrs. C. U. Briggs.

Rev. L. B. Wolf, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions made several statements for information.

Mr. A. D. Chiquoine, Chairman of the Hymn Book Publishing Committee, reported as follows:

Former Hymn Book Publishing Committee

The instructions of the last General Synod have been followed, in that the Hymn Book Publishing Committee closed its accounts and records and turned its books over to the office of the United Lutheran Publication Society; also action was taken to make any necessary conveyance of all interests in copyrights to the Publication Society. A. D. CHIQUOINE.

This report was approved.

Rev. Harry Anstadt, D. D., reported having $5.16 left over from the funds of the Temperance Committee. He was instructed to place it in the Treasury of the United Lutheran Church.

It was resolved to cancel certain notes of the German Nebraska and Central Illinois Synods, held by the Treasurer, and that they be returned to these synods.

The election of officers of the General Synod resulted as follows:

President—Rev. Frank P. Manhart, D. D.
Secretary—Rev. L. Kuhlman, D. D.
Treasurer—Hon. John L. Zimmerman, LL. D.

History of the General Synod

It was resolved that the special committee on the history of the General Synod, appointed by the General Synod in 1917, be instructed to continue their efforts to prepare a documentary his-

tory of the General Synod; that the Secretary and the Treasurer of the General Synod be added to this special committee; and that the enlarged committee be given authority to take such steps looking toward its publication as may be deemed advisable.

Thanks were tendered the Rev. T. H. Becker, pastor of Christus Church, for the courteous granting of the use of his church.

Pastor Becker made a brief and very kindly address to the General Synod. President Tressler made a suitable response.

The newly elected officers, in response to calls, made brief and appreciative remarks to the General Synod.

The Minutes of this Fiftieth Convention of the General Synod were read and approved.

The doxology, Praise God from whom all blessings flow, was sung and all united in the use of the Lord's Prayer. The new president pronounced the Apostolic benediction and declared the General Synod adjourned, to meet at the time and place selected by the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

FRANK P. MANHART, *Secretary.*
LUTHER KUHLMAN, *Secretary.*

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH CONVENTION

of the

GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA

St. John's Lutheran Church, Hickory Street, near Broadway, Buffalo, N. Y.

Tuesday, October 17, 1922, 2.14 p. m.

The Thirty-eighth Convention of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America was called to order by the President, the Rev. Fred. H. Bosch. The hymn used was 202, and the Scripture Lesson, Romans 12: 1-21. Prayer was offered by the Rev. J. J. Schindel, D. D.

The reading of the Minutes of the Thirty-seventh Convention was on motion omitted and the Minutes as printed were approved.

The President presented the following report:

To the Members of the General Council, greeting:

My dear Brethren: Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and from our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

In convening the General Council at this time I beg leave to state that it is done in accordance with the wish and direction of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church.

The past bi-ennium has been one of inactivity as far as the separate work of the General Council has been concerned, although I am perfectly aware of the fact that the General Council through its Synods and congregations has been active in the various fields of Christian service in which the United Lutheran Church is engaged. The time does not seem far distant, when the good work begun in 1918 will be consummated, when the three general bodies comprising the United Lutheran Church will cease to exist and the Merger be an accomplished fact. When that time shall arrive it is not for me to say, but great strides in that general direction have been made.

Since the last meeting of the General Council, held October 19, 1920, in Washington, D. C., many if not all the bonds and mortgages on various church properties held by the General Council have been assigned to the United Lutheran Church, the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the General Council signing and sealing the necessary documents of transfer. At the request of the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the General Council, Mr. W. H. Hager, I directed the Treasurer

of the General Council, Mr. J. B. Franke, to transfer all money of the General Council in his possession to the Treasurer of the United Lutheran Church. Mr. Franke has informed me that this has been done.

I consider it to be my duty to call attention to a letter received by me from the Secretary of the United Lutheran Church. The letter follows:

August 17th, 1922.

My Dear Brother Bosch: You have already been notified that arrangements have been made for the meeting of the General Council in St. John's Church, Hickory St., near Broadway, Buffalo, N. Y., on Thursday, October 17th, at two o'clock P. M. For your guidance and convenience I am sending you the following resolutions* which were adopted by the General Council prior to the merger in 1918. Similar action was taken by the General Synod and the United Synod in the South.

"That each of the three general bodies shall take the following action at its meeting immediately preceding the first meeting of The United Lutheran Church in America:

'Resolved 1. That the (Name of body) will to the fullest extent requested from time to time by the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America;

(a) Unite with the other two general bodies joining in the merger in continuing all its activities in and through The United Lutheran Church in America.

(b) Convey, transfer and deliver, and cause to be conveyed, transferred and delivered, all its (Name) property and rights now and hereafter held in trust and otherwise, to The United Lutheran Church in America, or to the appropriate boards, institutions, organizations, or agencies of The United Lutheran Church in America; and,

(c) Cause all its (Name) boards, institutions, organizations and agencies to continue all their activities in and through, and to convey, transfer and deliver, and cause to be conveyed, transferred and delivered, all their property and rights now and hereafter held in trust and otherwise to, The United Lutheran Church in America, or to the appropriate boards, institutions, organizations or agencies of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

'Resolved 2. That the (Name) will henceforth act separately only under the advice and direction of the Executive Board of The United Lutheran Church in America.'

'Resolved 3. That the (Name) will do such things and take such action as the said Executive Board may request from time to time for the purpose of:

(a) Carrying the preceding resolutions into effect; and

(b) Facilitating, simplifying and winding up the organization, business and affairs of and dissolving or legally merging the (Name) and any or all of its boards, institutions, organizations and agencies'."

The resolutions referred to are to be found on page 58 of the Minutes of the General Council printed together with the Minutes of the First Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America (1918).

Yours very cordially,
M. G. G. Scherer,
Secretary.

If the General Council does not see its way clear at this time to wind up its affairs or if it feels that occasions might arise that would necessitate some action of the General Council, it will be necessary to elect officers and also members of the various boards as heretofore. (A list of the various boards is found on pages 552 and 553 of the Minutes of the second Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church.)

There are several vacancies on the boards which will have to be filled, vancies caused because God called the faithful servants to their eternal reward, namely: Mr. W. Fred Monroe, member of the Foreign Mission Board, whose term would have expired in 1923; Rev. Dr. W. A. Snyder, of the English Home Mission Board, whose term would have expired in 1923; Mr. J. A. Prigge, of the German Home Mission Board, whose term would have expired in 1923, and Rev. F. C. Oberly, of the Education Board, whose term would have expired in 1923. All these men have been active

(*A copy of these resolutions was sent at the same time to the Presidents of the General Synod and the United Synod in the South.—Secy. of The U. L. C. in A.)

in the various fields of labor to which they were assigned, they have given their best in the service of Christ and His Church, and deserve to be held in sweet memory by a grateful church, which they have served so well. And now, brethren, may the Holy Spirit direct us in all our deliberations and add His divine blessing.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED. H. BOSCH, *President.*

The above report was amended as it appears and received as amended. The Treasurer, Mr. J. B. Franke, presented the following report:

J. B. FRANKE, Esq.,

Treasurer,

General Council of Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Fort Wayne, Ind.

DEAR SIR: We enclose herewith schedule of receipts and disbursements of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America for the period October 16, 1920, to June 7, 1922, which have been carefully audited in accordance with your instructions and duly certified to.

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE B. BUIST & Co.

GENERAL COUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA

Receipts

Balance cash, October 16, 1920:		
Old National Bank Savings Account	$647.23	
Old National Bank Checking Account	12.24	
		$659.47
1- 3-21 Interest on Savings Account		12.94
3-17-21 Interest on Savings Account		4.22
4-17-22 Street Improvement Bonds Matured		316.00
4-17-22 Interest on above bonds		19.05
5- 2-22 Miscellaneous Interest		1.93
6- 2-22 Street Improvement Bonds Matured (Indianapolis)		296.56
6- 2-22 Interest on above bonds		8.79
6- 2-22 Street Improvement Bonds Matured (Fort Wayne)		310.88
6- 2-22 Interest on above bonds		8.05
Total receipts		$1,637.89

Disbursements

12-30-20 Geo. B. Buist, auditing account 10-16-20	$5.00
1-17-21 Rev. W. L. Stough for writing minutes of the 1918 adjourned meeting of the General Council and express on same from Hood River, Oreg., to Philadelphia, Pa	33.47
3-17-21 City Street Improvement bonds and Interest	638.16

4-21-22 City Street Improvement Bonds and Interest.....	$303.57
6- 7-22 Transfer of balance of fund from General Council to United Lutheran Church in America.....	657.69
Total disbursements.....	$1,637.89

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the cash records and inspected properly authenticated vouchers in the case of disbursments reflected in the foregoing statement which correctly sets forth all cash transactions and is a true and correct summary of cash received and disbursed during the period October 16, 1920, to June 7, 1922.

GEORGE B. BUIST & Co.

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, Ph. D., D. D., the action taken at the Thirty-seventh Convention of this body in reference to the balance in the treasury was reconsidered.

On motion of the Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., D. D., it was

Resolved, That we request the United Lutheran Church in America to apply the money paid over by the Treasurer of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, to a memorial to the late Rev. T. E. Schmauk, D. D., LL.D., and to promote this object as soon as possible.

The Rev. W. D. C. Keiter, D. D., reported that the General Council had received a bequest from the estate of the late Rev. Wm. Ashmead Schaeffer, D. D.

On motion of the Rev. Prof. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., LL.D., the report of the Trustees of the General Council, to be made later, is to be entered on the minutes as of this session.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Trustees of the General Council would respectfully report that upon their election two years ago at the Convention of the General Council held in Washington, D. C., they met and organized by the election of Rev. Frederick Bosch, President; Hon. William H. Staake, Treasurer, and E. Augustus Miller, Secretary.

That as no business required any meeting during the biennium no meeting was held. During the past two years all of the assets and securities of the Lutheran Mission and Church Extension Society have been transferred to the Trustees and in turn have been transferred and assigned by the Trustees to the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the United Lutheran Church. This was done in accordance with the resolution regularly adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. AUG. MILLER, *Secretary.*

The Convention proceeded to the election of officers and the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for the present incumbents. The following were declared elected:

Rev. Fred. H. Bosch, President.
Rev. W. L. Stough, Secretary.
Rev. E. A. Tappert, German Secretary.
Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D. D., English Corresponding Secretary.
Rev. Prof. H. Offermann, D. D., German Corresponding Secretary.
Mr. J. B. Franke, Treasurer.

The Rev. B. F. Hankey presented the

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR PORTO RICO AND LATIN-AMERICA

The Board of Missions for Porto Rico and Latin America, of the General Council of the Lutheran Church in North America, would respectfully submit to this Convention of the General Council the following report, viz:

(1) That the Board met at stated times for the consideration of any matter claiming its attention and acted as the necessity of the case demanded.

(2) That two of our faithful members, Rev. J. A. Bernhard and Mr. J. S. Seaman, Sr., were called home in the interim of this Convention. The former was well known throughout the Augustana Synod and the General Council as well as a man with a world vision, always pointing to the fields "ripe unto harvest," and as one who never grew weary in bending his energies to the task: The latter's name will ever be associated with the benevolent operations of the Pittsburgh Synod, for he was one of those tender hearted men whose heart was quickened as he listened and heard the call that came to him from distressed children of men, and many are the benevolent gifts that flowed out of a life of faith in the hour of need. The former's term of office expired 1921; the latter 1923. The Rev. J. V. Benson was elected by the Board to fill the place of the Rev. J. A. Bernhard, deceased, and Mr. W. A. Steinmeyer was also elected by the Board to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. J. S. Seaman, Sr., deceased.

(3) During the biennium the Rev. H. L. McMurray, one of the faithful ministers of the Pittsburgh Synod, who had dedicated his life and all that he possessed to the service of Jesus Christ and His Church, was called to his reward in Heaven. Some years ago his eyes had been turned toward Porto Rico and the great need there for an institution of learning in which men might be trained for the preaching of the gospel, and accordingly he left as his legacy to supply that need, all of this world's goods to erect a Memorial Institution, to be known as the "Robert Jenkins McMurray Memorial," a memorial to his son whom he had dedicated to God but who was called home when but five years of age. The Secretary of the Board was named as executor of the estate, and he, together with and under the direction of the Board, aided by the widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Jenkins McMurray,

and by the very helpful assistance of her son-in-law, Mr. G. C. Frank, arrangements are being made to sell property which has a net value approximately of $30,000 (thirty thousands dollars).

(4) The Board would respectfully submit the following recommendation to the General Council for consideration and action, the election to office of the following persons named for the coming biennium, viz:

(a) That the General Council elect Mr. W. A. Steinmeyer to fill the unexpired term of office of Mr. Joseph S. Seaman, deceased.

(b) That the following named persons whose term of office expired in 1921 be re-elected to this Board, viz., Revs. E. Belfour, D. D., Morten Parson, A. J. Holl, C. O. Thunberg, J. V. Benson, B. F. Hankey. (Term of office four years.)

EDMUND BELFOUR, D. D., *President.* B. F. HANKEY, *Secretary.*

On motion of Mr. H. Hodges the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for the members of boards. The following were declared elected:

Foreign Mission Board

Term Expiring in 1924—Rev. Prof. Theo. Benze, D. D., Rev. R. C. G. Bielinski, Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, Ph. D., D. D., Rev. J. A. Dewald, Rev. A. Steimle, D. D., Mr. H. G. G. Querns, Mr. James M. Snyder.

English Home Mission Board

Term Expiring 1925—Rev. Prof. J. E. Whitteker, D. D., Rev. G. W. Sandt, D. D., LL. D., Rev. Paul Scherer, Mr. W. H. Hager, Mr. F. D. Bittner, Mr. J. B. Franke, E. Aug. Miller, Esq.

German Home Mission Board

Term Expiring in 1925—Rev. Prof. E. Hoffman, D. D., Rev. E. J. Kraeling, Rev. G. A. Benze, Rev. E. R. Tappert, Rev. H. C. Schmieder, Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, D. D., Rev. Philip Kirchner, Rev. O. W. Krauch, Mr. Theo. Roehrs, Mr. G. T. Auger, Mr. W. C. Muncke, Mr. Peter Woll, Jr., Mr. Martin Wulff.

Porto Rico Mission Board

Term Expiring in 1925—Rev. E. Belfour, D. D., Rev. Morten Parson, Rev. A. J. Holl, Rev. C. O. Thumberg, Rev. J. V. Benson, Rev. B. E. Hankey.

Term Expires in 1927—Mr. Wm. Steinmeyer, Mr. J. B. Kaercher, Mr. Chas. W. Fuhr, Mr. J. Warren Hunter, Mr. H. A. Johnson.

Board of Publication

Term Expires in 1925—Rev. C. J. Cooper, D. D., Mr. E. Clarence Miller, LL. D., Rev. N. R. Melhorn, D. D., Mr. James G. Finley, Prof. H. G. Deininger, Ph. D.

Immigrant Board

Term Expires in 1925—Rev. J. Weyl, Rev. J. J. Heischmann, D. D., Rev. A. L. Benner, Rev. F. O. Evers, Rev. J. W. Loch, Ph. D., Rev. H. D. Kraeling, Rev. F. Sutter, Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., Mr. P. Lindemann, Mr. Peter Doerr, Mr. Chas. Breuning.

Slav-Hungarian Board

Term Expires in 1925—Rev. Geo. Gebert, D. D., Rev. A. D. Dianiska, Rev. G. H. Tappert, Rev. F. E. Jensen, Rev. H. C. J. Erbes, Mr. R. J. Sautter.

Board of Education

Term Expires in 1925—Rev. M. L. Canup, Rev. A. Holthusen, Rev. W. E. Frey, Rev. Prof. J. A. W. Haas, D. D., LL. D., Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D. D., Rev. J. A. W. Kirsch, Rev. E. F. Keever, D. D., ————————.

Virgin Islands Board

Term Expires in 1925—Rev. W. M. Horn, Rev. Prof. E. F. Krauss, D. D., Rev. J. C. Fischer, Rev. G. F. Gehr, D. D., Rev. S. Paulson, Rev. C. F. Kuder, D. D., Mr. R. E. Gaskell, Mr. S. F. Telleen, Mr. H. F. Heuer, Mr. P. G. Gravenhorst.

On motion of the Rev. Prof. J. A. W. Haas, D. D., LL. D., the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention for Trustees of the General Council, and the following were declared elected:

For Three Years—Rev. F. F. Fry, D. D., Mr. W. H. Hager, Mr. R. E. Gaskell.

For Two Years—Rev. Prof. H. Offermann, D. D., Rev. E. F. Ritter, D. D., Prof. S. P. Sadtler, Ph. D., LL. D.

The term of office of the following, which expires in 1923, extends until their successors are elected in 1924: Rev. Fred. H. Bosch, Hon. Wm. H. Staake, E. Aug. Miller, Esq.

The following delegates reported their presence:

I. The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the Adjacent States.

Organized August 15 (New Style, 26), A. D. 1748.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Prof. C. Theo. Benze, D.D.	Fred. S. Achey, M.D.
Rev. C. J. Cooper, D.D.	Mr. Charles M. Berkemeyer
Rev. George Drach	Mr. Frank D. Bittner
Rev. Franklin T. Esterly	Mr. Chas. H. Esser
Rev. G. Franklin Gehr, D.D.	Mr. Harry Hodges
Rev. Prof. J. A. W. Haas, D.D., LL.D.	Mr. William H. Hager
Rev. J. Henry Harms, D.D.	Mr. J. C. Metzger
Rev. I. Chantry Hoffman, D.D.	Mr. W. Russell Miller
Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph.D., D.D.	Mr. Oscar C. Schmidt
Rev. Prof. H. E. Jacobs, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D.	Mr. Jas. M. Snyder
Rev. W. D. C. Keiter, D.D.	J. F. Trexler, M.D.
Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D.D.	
Rev. James F. Lambert	
Rev. A. B. MacIntosh, D.D.	
Rev. John C. Mattes	
Rev. J. F. Ohl, Mus.D., D.D.	
Rev. E. P. Pfatteicher, Ph.D., D.D	
Rev. Gomer C. Rees, D.D.	
Rev. A. C. Schenck	
Rev. J. J. Schindel, D.D.	
Rev. Prof. J. C. Seegers, D.D.	
Rev. P. Geo. Sieger	
Rev. W. L. Stough	
Rev. Frank M. Urich	
Rev. J. H. Waidelich, D.D.	
Rev. H. A. Weller, D.D.	

II. The Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of the State of New York and Adjacent States and Countries.

Organized October 23, A. D. 1786.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Fred. H. Bosch	Mr. August Becker
Rev. Yost Brandt	Mr. Fred. J. Greiner
Rev. Herman Brezing	Mr. E. C. Meurer
Rev. Oscar Krauch	Mr. Ernest C. Muncke
Rev. J. A. W Kirsch	Mr. Fred'k Stussy, Jr.
Rev. B. Mehrtens	Mr. Martin Wulff

III. Pittsburgh Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Organized January 15, A. D. 1845.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. G. A. Benze, D.D	Mr. J. Louis Frederick
Rev. W. E. Frey	G. F. Greiner, Esq.
Rev. B. F. Hankey	
Rev. Charles P. McLaughlin, D.D.	
Rev. John J. Myers	
Rev. G. L. Rankin	
Rev. George H. Schnur, D.D.	

IV. Evangelical Lutheran District Synod of Ohio.
Organized July 21, A. D. 1861.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Benj. F. Hofer	Mr. George Baker

V. Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada.
Organized July 21, A. D. 1861.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. O. C. D. Klaehn	Mr. Herman W. Monk
Rev. M. Voelker	Mr. Louis Peine

VI. Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.
Organized A. D. 1871; Reorganized September 24, A. D. 1896.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. Carroll J. Rockey	Mr. J. B. Franke

VII. The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New York and New England.
Organized September 24, A. D. 1902.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. William M. Horn	Mr. Robert E. Gaskell
Rev. F. A. Kaehler, D.D.	
Rev. Hermann F. Miller	
Rev. C. D. Trexler	
Rev. S. G. Trexler, D.D.	

VIII. Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Central Canada.
Organized May 26, A. D. 1909.

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. J. Maurer, D. D	Mr. J. C. Casselman

The following visitors reported their presence:

Clerical.	*Lay.*
Rev. George M. Bock	Mr. William H. Deisroth
Rev. Herbert A. Bosch	
Rev. Zenan M. Corbe	
Rev. Wm. Eckert	
Rev. Peter Fanning	
Rev. H. C. Freimuth	
Rev. P. R. Kasten	
Rev. W. W. Kramlich	
Rev. Prof. E. F. Krauss, D.D.	
Rev. H. K. Lantz	
Rev. L. Lindenstruth, D.D.	
Rev. H. C. Meyer	
Rev. Alfred Ostrom	
Rev. H. Rembe, Sr.	
Rev. H. R. Mosig	
Rev. D. A. Roth	
Rev. Frank C. Synder	
Rev. C. J. Streich	
Rev. Walter C. G. Veit	

The Convention adjourned at 3.37 P. M. with the use of the Lord's Prayer.

WILLIAM L. STOUGH, *Secretary.*

MINUTES OF THE UNITED SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN THE SOUTH

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER

Buffalo, N. Y., October 17, 1922.

The Eighteenth Biennial Convention of the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South met in the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Elmwood Avenue and Ferry Street, at 2 o'clock P. M., October 17, 1922. The Convention was called to order by the President, the Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph.D., D.D., and was opened with the use of the order for the opening of Synod. The Roll of Synods was called and the delegates were enrolled.

Roll of Synods and Delegates

United Synod of North Carolina

Clerical—The Revs. J. L .Morgan, D. D., M. L. Stairwalt, D. D., M. M. Kinard, Ph.D.,D.D., A. G. Voigt, D.D., LL.D., R. B. Peery, Ph. D., D. D., J. F. Crigler, J. C. Dietz, W. J. Finck, D. D., H. B. Schaeffer, E. H. Kohn, Ph. D.

Lay—Messrs. C. M. Efird, H. L. Mock, B. Capps, C. E. Ritzel, J. C. Sigmon, E. M. Minnick, G. F. McAllister J. A. Cline, R. G. Rhyne.

South Carolina Synod

Clerical—Revs. Drs. H. A. McCullough, M. G. G. Scherer, Geo. J. Gongaware, W. H. Greever, C. A. Freed.

Lay—Messrs. S. J. Derrick, LL. D., B. B. Hare, R. C. Counts, A. H. Kohn, E. H. Schirmer.

Virginia Synod

Clerical—The Revs. J. J. Scherer, Jr., D. D., C. W. Cassell, B. S. Brown, Jr., E. H. Copenhaver, J. H. Richard, S. C. Ballentine, J. W. Shuey.

Lay—Messrs. W. T. Stauffer, J. A. Alexander, H. L. Bonham, R. W. Kime, J. S. Etter, N. I. Kagey, H. D. Derrick.

Georgia Synod

Clerical—The Revs. W. Hoppe, D. D., W. E. Pugh.

Lay—Messrs. Wm. B. Ahlgren, J. H. Paulsen.

Mississippi Synod

Clerical—The Rev. M. D. Huddle.

Lay—H. G. Huffman.

The President read the following report which was adopted:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

DEAR BRETHREN: By the kind favor of a merciful Father we meet in our Eighteenth Biennial Convention. As a general body we still have corporate and legal existence and are called to meet for the transaction of such business as may properly come before us.

Since our last Convention several mergers have taken place. In March, 1921, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina and the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod merged, forming the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina. In March, 1922, the Virginia, Southwestern Virginia and the Holston Synod merged and formed the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia. Our constituent synods are reduced by three and our representatives increased by six in the present body over the Convention of 1920.

July 29, 1922, the Rev. J. W. Horine, D. D., resigned as Secretary.

August 3, 1922, I appointed the Rev. C. W. Cassell Secretary to serve till the meeting of this Convention.

Matters for action by this convention will be presented through the proper boards and committees.

Since there are a number of bequests that cannot be closed or transferred just at this time, it becomes necessary to continue the existence of this body beyond the present convention now assembled.

In view of the above you will elect officers and boards as heretofore.

The Minutes of the three general bodies will again be printed with the Minutes of the United Lutheran Church in America.

This general body is subject to the call of the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL M. KINARD, *President.*

Buffalo, N. Y., October 17, 1922.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by the President and was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED SYNOD IN THE SOUTH

The Executive Committee would report that there are a number of bequests in favor of certain beneficiaries within the bounds of the United Synod and that said United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South is charged with the administration of the funds. There is no provision made in the several wills for a successor to the United Synod as trustee. Therefore the Executive Committee has instituted proceedings

whereby a successor in each case may be appointed by the courts to administer the funds, or the income of the funds, as the case may be, to the proper beneficiary.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL M. KINARD,
Chairman, Executive Committee.

The Treasurer read the following report, which was referred to the Auditing Committee.

REPORT OF J. D. CAPPELMANN,
Treasurer United Synod of the E. L. Church in the South
Charleston, S. C., October 12, 1922

(For next previous report see Minutes United Lutheran Church, Washington Convention, October 19-27, 1920, page 566.)

Receipts.

Aug. 13, 1919—Interest from Hotel Huffry	$80.00	
Less exchange	.10	
		$79.90
Aug. 17, 1919—Interest from Hotel Huffry, less exchange		79.90
Interest on above from savings bank from January 30, 1920, to September 1, 1920, inclusive		22.85
Interest received from Huffry Hotel Coupon Bonds, payable March 1, 1920; September 1, 1920; March 1, 1921; September 21, 1921; March 1, 1922; September 1, 1922	$1,296.00	
Less exchange	.71	
		1,295.29
September 5, 1922—Received from executor of J. F. Lown for Theological Seminary-Legacy		2,000.00
October 10, 1922—Received from executor of J. F. Lown, Legacy for Home Mission Board		500.00
For Foreign Mission Board		500.00
For Lutheran Orphan Home at Salem, Va		2,000.00
December 21, 1920—Savings bank interest	$5.38	
March 31, 1921—Savings bank interest	5.44	
September 30, 1921—Savings bank interest	1.05	
December 31, 1921—Savings bank interest	2.86	
March 30, 1922—Savings bank interest	2.90	
June 30, 1922—Savings bank interest	4.50	
		22.13
		$6,500.07

Disbursements.

August 20, 1919—To paid President Kinard expenses	$4.00
May 31, 1921—Paid Home Mission Board on share of income under Huffman will	215.00
May 31, 1921—Paid Foreign Mission Board on share of income under Huffman will	215.00
May 31, 1921—Paid Lutheran Orphan Home on share of income under Huffman will	215.00
June 6, 1922—Certified copy of will	1.00

September 5, 1922—Paid C. M. Efird, Theological Seminary, J. F. Lown Legacy by vote of Executive Committee	$2,000.00	
July 22, 1922—Paid Foreign Mission Board on share of income under Huffman will	151.81	
July 22, 1922—Paid Home Mission Board on share of income under Huffman will	151.81	
July 22, 1922—Paid Lutheran Orphan Home on share of income under Huffman will	151.80	
		3,105.42
Balance on hand		$3,394.65

The President appointed Messrs. A. H. Kohn, J. H. Paulsen and W. B. Ahlgren on the Auditing Committee.

The Rev. Dr. C. A. Freed gave a verbal report of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension. All matters belonging to the sphere of this board have been handled by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension of the United Lutheran Church.

This report was received as information.

The Revs. Drs. R. B. Perry and H. A. McCullough and Mr. R. C. Counts were appointed to nominate a Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

The Rev. Dr. H. A. McCullough read the report of the Board of Foreign Missions. The report was received and the recommendations were considered seriatim.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

(*For the Biennium,* October 19, 1920, to *October* 17, 1922.)

Members of the Board—The following were elected by the United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South during its Seventeenth (Washington) Convention, and on the nineteenth day of October, 1920: Rev. M. J. Epting, D. D.; Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph. D., D. D.; Rev. H. A. McCullough, D. D.; Rev. W. A. Deaton, D. D.; Rev. Edward Fulenwider; Mr. H. L. Bonham; L. M. Swink, Esq., and Mr. J. E. Cooper as a member emeritus.

Officers of the Board—At its first meeting, held in St. Paul's Church, Washington, D. C., the board organized with the following officers: President, Rev. M. J. Epting, Savannah, Ga.; Secretary, Rev. H. A. McCullough, Columbia, S. C.; Treasurer, Mr. John A. Cline, Concord, N. C. The Executive Committee appointed consists of the officers and Rev. W. A. Deaton and L. M. Swink, Esq. In pursuance of the action of the United Synod at its Washington Convention (Seventeenth Biennial) the board elected as its trustee L. M. Swink, Esq.

Meetings—Two meetings were held during the biennium, the first for the purpose of organizing and the second to adopt this report. No necessity arose for other meetings.

Memorandum—The residuary bequest of Mr. G. B. Repass, deceased, of Wytheville, Va., to be realized upon the death of his wife, consisting of the proceeds from the sale of a certain farm of one hundred and thirteen acres, situated about two miles northwest of Wytheville, Va. (not "Wytheville, Pa.," as erroneously printed in the Minutes of the 1920 Convention, U. L. C., page 570), after four specific bequests aggregating $9,500 have been provided for out of the proceeds, remains status in quo Washington Convention, as Mrs. Repass is still living and no further efforts, so far as the board has been informed, have been made to effect a settlement of the estate prior to her death.

Recommendations.

1. That the United Synod in the South authorize and empower the board to appoint a trustee to act for and in the name of the board in cases required by legal exigencies.

2. That the members of the Board of Foreign Missions be selected from as restricted territory as possible in order to facilitate its operations, since the board has no money with which to defray expenses incident to its meetings.

In memoriam,—Mr. J. E. Cooper. Your board begs the privilege of paying tribute to the worth and work and memory of the prominent layman and faithful colaborer in the cause of foreign missions, whose name occurs above, and who entered into rest March 26, 1922. Mr. Cooper was a member of the Board of Missions and Church Extension from 1895 to 1908 and a most active member of the Board of Foreign Missions from 1898 to 1916. For four years following he was incapacitated physically for activities of any kind. In 1920 he was elected a member emeritus in recognition of his long and faithful service for the Master.

Mr. Cooper was the man indispensable during the administration of the now sainted President Holland. He was a wise counselor and a generous supporter of the work of the board, loyal to the utmost and faithful in every situation. During the succeeding administration his zeal did not abate and his interest and efforts did not diminish until infirmity came upon him with such overpowering severity as to bring an end to active labor in behalf of missions. Two noteworthy instances of liberality, publicity of which has been withheld by the board in deference to his own wishes, mark Mr. Cooper as the outstanding layman in connection with our foreign mission operations in Japan. In the same spirit of modesty and self-forgetful love and sacrifice he proved himself a tower of strength in his local congregation and gave liberal support to the educational and eleemosynary institutions of the United Synod. Nor was his interest in home missions less ardent or his support less generous. He realized fully the importance of strengthening the home base for the sake of saving souls and

building up the kingdom of God in the homeland and as a stronger and more effective means for sending the Gospel to the non-Christian peoples of earth. Before departing this life Mr. Cooper made large provision in his will for the foreign mission work, jointly with that of home missions, through the conversion of certain realty. "The memory of the just is blessed." "Being dead, he yet speaketh."

Respectfully submitted,

M. J. Epting,
M. M. Kinard,
H. A. McCullough,
W. A. Deaton,
Edward Fulenwider,
H. L. Bonham,
L. M. Swink.

Item one was referred to the Executive Committee in conference with the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church. Item two was adopted. The report was adopted as a whole.

The Committee to nominate members of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension reported the names of the Revs. C. A. Freed, D. D., C. K. Bell, D. D., J. F. Crigler, A. D. R. Hancher, Messrs. A. H. Kohn, John Kellenberger and D. F. Efird. The report was adopted and these brethren were declared elected.

The President appointed Prof. S. J. Derrick, Prof. H. L. Mock and B. Capps to nominate Foreign Mission Board.

The Auditing Committee rendered the following report, which was adopted:

The undersigned appointed committee to audit the account of Jno. D. Cappelmann, Treasurer, as made at the Washington meeting of this body (see Minutes United Lutheran Church, Washington Convention, October 19-27, 1920, page 566), beg to report that we have examined the same and find all disbursements properly vouched.

We further report that we have also examined the report made at this session of the Synod at Buffalo, showing balance of $3,394.65 and find the same correct and all disbursements properly vouched, and recommend that the Synod pay his expenses for attendance upon this meeting and instruct the Treasurer as to the disbursement of $3,394.65 in his hands, after payment of his expenses.

A. H. Kohn,
Wm. B. Ahlgren,
J. H. Paulsen.

The following resolution was adopted: Resolved that the Treasurer is directed to disburse the balance of $3,394.65 after paying his expenses in attending this convention as follows:

To Lutheran Orphan Home, Salem, Va., J. F. Lown Legacy.....$2,000.00
To Foreign Mission Board, J. F. Lown Legacy..... 500.00
To Home Mission Board, J. F. Lown Legacy..... 500.00
One-third (⅓) of this balance to Lutheran Orphan Home at Salem, Va., share of income under Huffman will.
One-third (⅓) of this balance to Foreign Mission Board, share of income under Huffman will.
One-third (⅓) of this balance to Home Mission Board, share of income under Huffman will.

The Rev. Dr. A. G. Voigt offered the following resolution, which was adopted by unanimous vote: Resolved that we note with gratitude the presence of Dr. J. A. Morehead, and that we at this time cordially greet him.

Dr. Morehead arose and responded, expressing his gratitude to God for his safe return to this country and his joy because of the fellowship with the brethren.

The committee to nominate a Foreign Mission Board presented the following names: The Revs. M. J. Epting, D. D.; Wm. Hoppe, D. D.; Geo. J. Gongaware, D. D.; T. W. Shealey; D. B. Groseclose; Messrs. J. H. Paulsen and S. H. Schirmer. On motion they were elected.

By unanimous vote, Dr. A. G. Voigt was instructed to cast the ballot of the Synod for the following officers:

President.....The Rev. M. M. Kinard, Ph.D., D.D.
Vice-President.....The Rev. Wm. Hoppe, D.D.
Secretary.....The Rev. C. W. Cassell
Treasurer.....The Hon. J. D. Cappleman
Statistical Secretary.....The Rev. J. D. Kinard, D.D.

On motion of the Rev. Geo. J. Gongaware, D. D., the following resolution was passed by unanimous vote, and the Secretary was instructed to send the same to President Knubel:

Resolved, That we have heard with profound regret of the illness of the President of our United Lutheran Church, the Rev. F. H. Knubel, D. D., LL. D., that we assure him of our fraternal sympathy and of our prayers for the early and full restoration of his health.

The President appointed the following Executive Committee:

The Revs. J. L. Morgan,, D. D., J. J. Scherer, Jr., D. D., and Messrs. B. B. Miller and L. M. Swink.

A vote of thanks was given to the Pastor and the Church of the Redeemer for the use of the church building.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion Synod adjourned. In closing, the order for the Closing of Synod was used, being led by the President.

C. W. Cassell,
Secretary.

CORRECTION

On page 16, read S. R. Kepner for S. R. Kopner.

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